

BY: Conference Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 304

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 7, after "exceptions;" insert "providing that a carrier must pay certain claims in accordance with certain provisions of law;".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 4, in line 15, after the first "CARRIER" insert "OR THE CARRIER'S PRIVATE REVIEW AGENT"; in line 24, strike "OR"; in line 27, after "PROVIDER" insert "; OR

(4) ON THE DATE THE PREAUTHORIZED OR APPROVED SERVICE WAS DELIVERED:

(I) THE PATIENT WAS NOT COVERED BY THE CARRIER;

(II) THE CARRIER MAINTAINED AN AUTOMATED ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION SYSTEM THAT WAS AVAILABLE TO THE CONTRACTING PROVIDER BY TELEPHONE OR VIA THE INTERNET; AND

(III) ACCORDING TO THE VERIFICATION SYSTEM, THE PATIENT WAS NOT COVERED BY THE CARRIER";

and after line 27, insert:

"(C) A CARRIER SHALL PAY A CLAIM FOR A PREAUTHORIZED OR APPROVED COVERED HEALTH CARE SERVICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH §§ 15-1005 AND 15-1008 OF THIS SUBTITLE."