

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 601

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “by Carriers” and substitute “and Charges”; in line 3, strike the second “certain”; in line 4, strike “deliver” and substitute “provide”; in the same line, after “a” insert “certain”; in the same line, strike “other”; in line 5, strike “entity” and substitute “facility to be considered participating providers or”; in the same line, strike “the” and substitute “a certain”; strike beginning with “applicable” in line 5 down through “provider” in line 7 and substitute “under certain circumstances; requiring a certain provider to give certain notice to an enrollee”; and in line 8, strike “reimbursement of health care providers by carriers” and substitute “health care provider reimbursement and charges”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 17 through 26, inclusive, and substitute:

“(O) (1) A CARRIER MAY NOT REQUIRE A PROVIDER THAT PROVIDES HEALTH CARE SERVICES THROUGH A GROUP PRACTICE OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY THAT PARTICIPATES ON THE CARRIER’S PROVIDER PANEL UNDER A CONTRACT WITH THE CARRIER TO BE CONSIDERED A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER OR ACCEPT THE REIMBURSEMENT FEE SCHEDULE APPLICABLE UNDER THE CONTRACT WHEN:

(I) PROVIDING HEALTH CARE SERVICES TO ENROLLEES OF THE CARRIER THROUGH AN INDIVIDUAL OR GROUP PRACTICE OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY THAT DOES NOT HAVE A CONTRACT WITH THE CARRIER; AND

(II) BILLING FOR HEALTH CARE SERVICES PROVIDED TO ENROLLEES OF THE CARRIER USING A DIFFERENT FEDERAL TAX

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IDENTIFICATION NUMBER THAN THAT USED BY THE GROUP PRACTICE OR HEALTH CARE FACILITY UNDER A CONTRACT WITH THE CARRIER.

(2) A NONPARTICIPATING PROVIDER SHALL NOTIFY AN ENROLLEE:

(I) THAT THE PROVIDER DOES NOT PARTICIPATE ON THE PROVIDER PANEL OF THE ENROLLEE'S CARRIER; AND

(II) OF THE ANTICIPATED TOTAL CHARGES FOR THE HEALTH CARE SERVICES."