

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 783

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after “to” insert “the skilled nursing unit at”; in the sponsor line, strike “and Stup” and substitute “Stup, Finifter, Kagan, Busch, Gordon, Donoghue, Kach, V. Mitchell, McClenahan, Kelly, Eckardt, Boston, Krysiak, Exum, Kirk, Crumlin, Pendergrass, and Fulton”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 6, after “facility” insert “; providing that the primary care physician does not have to refer a subscriber or an enrollee to the continuing care facility under certain circumstances; clarifying that the continuing care facility is not obligated to accept anyone other than a patient for certain health care services; clarifying that the health maintenance organization and the continuing care facility are not required to advertise certain information; and generally relating to referrals to continuing care facilities”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 1, strike in their entirety lines 12 through 27, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 2, in line 5, before “WHENEVER” insert “(A)”; in line 9, after “RESIDENT” insert “; IF MEDICALLY APPROPRIATE,”; strike beginning with “RESIDENT’S” in line 9 down through “AGREEMENT” in line 11 and substitute “SKILLED NURSING UNIT AT THE RESIDENT’S CONTINUING CARE FACILITY FOR THE PROVISION OF THE HEALTH CARE SERVICES INCLUDED IN THE RESIDENT’S HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MEDICARE CONTRACT”; strike beginning with “AGREES” in line 15 down through “AND” in line 18 and substitute “BECOMES A CONTRACTING PROVIDER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION’S STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ITS PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS AND MEETS THE CREDENTIALING CRITERIA FOR BECOMING A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER;”; and in

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line 20, strike the period and substitute “INCLUDING CERTIFICATION; AND

(4) THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY’S SKILLED NURSING UNIT IS CERTIFIED AS A MEDICARE SKILLED NURSING FACILITY.

(B) (1) THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY IS NOT OBLIGATED TO ACCEPT ANYONE OTHER THAN A RESIDENT OF THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY FOR HEATH CARE SERVICES.

(2) THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AND THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO ADVERTISE THAT THE FACILITY IS A PARTICIPATING PROVIDER WITH RESPECT TO COVERAGE OFFERED BY THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION FOR MEDICARE BENEFITS OR OTHER TREATMENT IN THE SKILLED NURSING UNIT FACILITY FOR OTHER THAN THE CONTINUING CARE FACILITY’S RESIDENTS.”.