

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL NO. 669

(Third Reading File Bill)

On page 1, in line 3, strike "requiring" and substitute "prohibiting"; strike beginning with "to" in line 4 down through "have" in line 5 and substitute "from limiting a woman's"; in line 6, strike "or certain other providers"; and strike beginning with "requiring" in line 9 down through "care" in line 11 and substitute "requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to allow a woman to choose a certified nurse midwife under certain circumstances; requiring certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations to offer a woman a choice of an obstetric and gynecological provider within the health benefit plan; prohibiting certain insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and health maintenance organizations from requiring that a woman receive obstetric and gynecological services from a specific category of provider".

On page 3, strike in their entirety lines 11 through 22, inclusive, and substitute:

"(D) (1) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT LIMIT A WOMAN'S DIRECT ACCESS TO PRIMARY AND PREVENTIVE OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL SERVICES FROM A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE.

(2) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL ALLOW A WOMAN TO CHOOSE A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE PARTICIPATING IN THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN IF THE CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE DISCUSSES THE SERVICES AND TREATMENT PLAN WITH THE WOMAN'S PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER AND INFORMS THE WOMAN'S PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER OF ALL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED.

(3) AN ENTITY SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION SHALL OFFER THE WOMAN THE CHOICE OF AN OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL PROVIDER WITHIN THE HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN AND MAY NOT REQUIRE THE WOMAN TO RECEIVE OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL SERVICES FROM A SPECIFIC CATEGORY OF

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PROVIDER.”.

On page 4, strike in their entirety lines 25 through 36, inclusive, and substitute:

“(3) (I) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION MAY NOT LIMIT A WOMAN'S DIRECT ACCESS TO PRIMARY AND PREVENTIVE OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL SERVICES FROM A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE.

(II) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL ALLOW A WOMAN TO CHOOSE A CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE PARTICIPATING IN THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION IF THE CERTIFIED NURSE MIDWIFE DISCUSSES THE SERVICES AND TREATMENT PLAN WITH THE WOMAN'S PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER AND INFORMS THE WOMAN'S PRIMARY CARE PROVIDER OF ALL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED.

(III) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION SHALL OFFER THE WOMAN THE CHOICE OF AN OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL PROVIDER WITHIN THE HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION AND MAY NOT REQUIRE THE WOMAN TO RECEIVE OBSTETRIC AND GYNECOLOGICAL SERVICES FROM A SPECIFIC CATEGORY OF PROVIDER.”.