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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 610
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 23, after “terms;” insert “altering certain definitions;”.

On page 2, in line 16, after “Section” insert “15-10A-01(a), 15-1201(a), and”; and in line 21, after “Section” insert “15-10A-01(b)(1), 15-1201(r), and”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, strike beginning with “**AND**” in line 6 down through “**CHOICES**” in line 7; strike line 21 in its entirety; and in lines 22 and 23, strike “**(VII)**” and “**(VIII)**”, respectively, and substitute “**(VI)**” and “**(VII)**”, respectively.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 5, in line 21, strike “**AND**”.

On page 6, after line 26, insert:

“15-10A-01.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) (1) “Adverse decision” means:

(I) a utilization review determination by a private review agent, a carrier, or a health care provider acting on behalf of a carrier that:

(Over)

[(i)] 1. a proposed or delivered health care service covered under the member's contract is or was not medically necessary, appropriate, or efficient; and

[(ii)] 2. may result in noncoverage of the health care service;

OR

(II) A DENIAL BY A CARRIER OF A REQUEST BY A MEMBER FOR AN ALTERNATIVE STANDARD OR A WAIVER OF A STANDARD TO SATISFY THE REQUIREMENTS OF A BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM UNDER § 15-509 OF THIS TITLE.

15-1201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(r) "Wellness benefit" means a benefit [offered as a rider to a health benefit plan that provides coverage for a program or activity] that:

(1) [is designed to:

(i) prevent or detect disease or illness;

(ii) reduce or avoid poor clinical outcomes;

(iii) prevent complications from medical conditions; or

(iv) promote healthy behaviors and lifestyle choices;] INCLUDES A BONA FIDE WELLNESS PROGRAM AS DEFINED IN § 15-509 OF THIS TITLE; and

(2) complies with regulations adopted by the Commission."