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**SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS**

2024 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 190 by Senator Boudreaux

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1 AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 On page 1, line 3, delete "certain Medicaid providers" and insert "physicians"

3 AMENDMENT NO. 2

4 On page 1, line 4, after "rates" delete the remainder of the line and on line 5, delete "eligible  
5 providers"

6 AMENDMENT NO. 3

7 On page 1, line 9, after "Medicaid" insert "physician"

8 AMENDMENT NO. 4

9 On page 1, line 12, delete "certain healthcare providers" and insert "physicians"

10 AMENDMENT NO. 5

11 On page 1, delete line 14 and insert "Year 2025-2026 and shall include incremental rate  
12 increases, no less than annually, to achieve full Medicare rate comparability no later  
13 than Fiscal Year 2027-2028."

14 AMENDMENT NO. 6

15 On page 1, line 16, after "prioritize" insert "physician provided"

16 AMENDMENT NO. 7

17 On page 2, line 5, after "services" delete the remainder of the line and insert "beginning in  
18 Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and increasing incrementally through Fiscal Year 2027-2028.  
19 (4) The department shall"

20 AMENDMENT NO. 8

21 On page 2, line 6, after "for" insert "physician"

22 AMENDMENT NO. 9

23 On page 2, line 8, change "B.(1)" to "B." and after "identified as" insert "physician"

24 AMENDMENT NO. 10

25 On page 2, line 9, after "reimbursed" insert "to physicians" at the end of line 9, after  
26 "Section" insert a ":"

27 AMENDMENT NO. 11

28 On page 2, delete lines 10 through 29 and on page 3, delete line 1

29 AMENDMENT NO. 12

30 On page 3, between lines 1 and 2, insert the following:

1                    **"C. Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent the department**  
2 **from doing any of the following:**  
3                    **(1) Achieving Medicare rate comparability earlier than Fiscal Year**  
4 **2027-2028 if funding is available.**  
5                    **(2) Including other Medicaid provider types in the department's**  
6 **Medicare rate comparability plan after physicians obtain Medicare rate**  
7 **comparability if funding is available.**  
8                    **(3) Continuing to provide physicians with supplemental payments in**  
9 **accordance with the department's physician upper payment limit, full Medicaid**  
10 **pricing payment program as approved by the Centers for Medicare and**  
11 **Medicaid Services."**

12 AMENDMENT NO. 13

13 On page 3, line 2, change "C." to "D."

14 AMENDMENT NO. 14

15 On page 3, delete line 3 and insert "**time to begin providing increased payments to**  
16 **physicians in Fiscal Year 2025-2026.**"

17 AMENDMENT NO. 15

18 On page 3, at the beginning of line 4, delete "2025."