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DIGEST

Ward (SB 645)

Present law requires every health maintenance organization to make available in writing to its potential enrollees a reasonable explanation of the services to be provided or arranged for. Also requires identification of those services excluded from coverage as well as the methods of access to all forms of treatment or class of providers included in the plan.

Proposed law retains present law and also requires disclosure of a listing, either in writing or by reference to a website, of all health care providers with whom the health maintenance organization has a contract at the time of potential enrollment.

Proposed law requires a health maintenance organization to update the information in the listing or on its website only once per month to be considered timely.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 22:260(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to the original bill

1. Changes "service providers" to "health care providers".
2. Requires a health maintenance organization to update the information in the listing or on its website only once per month to be considered as timely.