
HOUSE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2018 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by House Committee on Insurance to Original House Bill No. 875
by Representative TalbotAMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, line 10, after "investigations;" and before "to provide" insert "to provide for penalties; to limit liability; to provide for applicability;"

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 3, line 28, change "five" to "fifteen"

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, line 2, change "four" to "ten"

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 4, at the beginning of line 3, change "contract" to "credentialing"

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 4, line 5, change "four" to "ten"

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 4, line 6, change "contract" to "credentialing"

AMENDMENT NO. 7

On page 4, at the end of line 20, insert a semicolon ";" and "penalties; applicability"

AMENDMENT NO. 8

On page 5, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

"D. Except as otherwise provided in Subsection F of this Section, the Department of Insurance may promulgate rules and regulations to provide for civil fines payable by a health insurance issuer not to exceed five hundred dollars for each act of violation of the requirements of this Subpart, not to exceed an aggregate fine of fifty thousand dollars. For purposes of this Subsection, "act of violation" is limited to an intentional act or an act of gross negligence.

E.(1) A health insurance issuer shall not be responsible for information that is inaccurately submitted or not submitted by healthcare providers as stated in their contract.

(2) The penalties provided for in this Section shall be the exclusive remedy for any violations and there shall be no independent cause of action by any person based upon a violation or other information reported.

F. The provisions of this Subpart shall apply to the Office of Group Benefits; however, the commissioner of insurance shall not levy an assessment or fine against the Office of Group Benefits. If the commissioner of insurance concludes that the Office of Group Benefits has violated this Subpart, the commissioner of insurance shall notify the commissioner of administration in writing within thirty days of the violation."