

2021 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 82

BY SENATOR CATHEY

Prefiled pursuant to Article III, Section 2(A)(4)(b)(i) of the Constitution of Louisiana.

INSURERS. Provides for external review of health insurance issuers. (gov sig)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 22:2392(26) and 2393, relative to external review of health insurance issuers; to include dental insurance benefits in the Health Insurance Issuer External Review Act; to provide a minimum amount for a claim related to a dental insurance policy to be eligible for external review; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 22:2392(26) and 2393 are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§2392. Definitions

As used in this Chapter:

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(26) "Health benefit plan" means a policy, contract, certificate, or agreement entered into, offered, or issued by a health insurance issuer to provide, deliver, arrange for, pay for, or reimburse any of the costs of health care services. "Health benefit plan" shall not include a plan providing coverage for excepted benefits as defined in R.S. 22:1061 and short-term policies that have a term of less than twelve months. **Notwithstanding excepted benefits as defined in R.S. 22:1061, a "health**

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

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

1. Limits the application of the external review to individual claims that exceed \$250.

Senate Floor Amendments to engrossed bill

1. Limits application to dental insurance policies.