SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Insurance to Original Senate Bill No. 535 by Senator Cassidy

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AMENDMENT NO. 1

2 3	On page 2, line 11, after "or coverage." delete the remainder of the line and delete lines 12 through 14 in their entirety and in lieu thereof insert the following:
4 5 6 7	"In order for a policyholder or covered dependent to be eligible for in-network benefits and for a healthcare provider to be reimbursed directly by a health insurance issuer, such healthcare provider shall meet a health insurance issuer's contracting and credentialing requirements. Coverage shall be provided when
8 9	<u>treatment is provided by any of the following healthcare providers duly licensed</u> <u>in the state:</u> "
10 11	AMENDMENT NO. 2 On page 2, between lines 18 and 19 insert the following:
12	"(e) A marriage and family therapist."
13 14	AMENDMENT NO. 3 On page 2, line 19, change "(e)" to "(f)"
15 16 17	AMENDMENT NO. 4 On page 2, line 24, after " include " delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 25 through 27 in their entirety and insert in lieu thereof the following:
18 19 20 21	"the following: (a) For employees and dependents enrolled in federally qualified high-deductible health plans, the same benefits provided for medical and surgical services.
22 23 24 25	(b) For all other employees and dependents, the same benefits provided to state employees and their dependents by the office of group benefits, which currently consist of the following combined benefits for the treatment of mental illness, alcoholism and drug abuse:"
26 27 28	AMENDMENT NO. 5 On page 3, line 15, after " B.(1) " delete the remainder of the line, delete lines 16 through 18 in their entirety and in lieu thereof insert the following:
29 30 31	"The provisions of Paragraph A(2) of this Section shall become effective only upon enactment of an income tax credit equal to the additional premium to be charged for the required benefits;"
32 33	AMENDMENT NO. 6 On page 4, delete lines 4 through 9 in their entirety and in lieu thereof insert the following:
34 35 36 37 38	"(4) If, for any health benefit plan renewal period, the premium associated with the benefits described in Paragraph A(2) of this Section is determined by the health insurance issuer to exceed one and one-half percent of the total premium, an employer may choose not to provide the required benefits."
39 40	AMENDMENT NO. 7 On page 4, between lines 27 and 28 insert the following:

"(n) The Louisiana Association of Marriage and Family Therapy."