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Abstract: Removes the requirement to submit proof of active hospital privileges for a new healthcare provider in a group practice who bills an insurer using the group practice's identification number prior to credentialing.

<u>Present law</u> requires, under certain circumstances, a health insurance issuer contracting with a group of healthcare providers that bills the health insurance issuer using a group identification number to pay the contracted reimbursement rate of the provider group for covered healthcare services rendered by a new provider to the group without healthcare provider credentialing in either of the following circumstances:

- (1) The new provider has already been credentialed by the health insurance issuer and the provider's credentialing is still active with the issuer.
- (2) The health insurance issuer has received the required credentialing application and information, including proof of active hospital privileges, from the new provider and the issuer has not notified the provider group that credentialing of the new provider has been denied.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> but removes the requirement that the new provider submit proof of active hospital privileges.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends R.S. 22:1874(A)(5)(a)(ii))