

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HEALTH/ACC INSURANCE. Provides for the method of dental reimbursement or payments. (8/1/26)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Revise the definition of "express acceptance" to clarify that the agreement pertains to a selected payment method, rather than "the terms of" a direct agreement.
2. Remove the language requiring that the dental plan's communication of the payment method be made in writing to the dentist.
3. Clarify that express acceptance may be given electronically and can include an electronic or digital signature or by checking a box indicating express acceptance and acceptance of a selected payment method.
4. Broaden the scope of applicability of proposed law to apply to policies that are newly issued, amended, or renewed.
5. Remove redundant language from proposed law to maintain consistency with existing statutory format.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

DIGEST

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Present law provides for insurance reimbursement or payments to dentists for dental care services. Proposed law retains present law.

Proposed law defines "express acceptance" as a written agreement between a dental plan and a dentist providing for a payment method. Proposed law clarifies that express acceptance may be given electronically and can include an electronic or digital signature or by checking a box indicating express acceptance and acceptance of a selected payment method.

Proposed law provides that a dentist must elect through express acceptance to receive payment of a claim using credit card or electronic funds transfer payment methods.

Proposed law provides that the violation of express acceptance requirement nullifies any election on claim payment methodology and requires execution of a new express acceptance agreement.

Proposed law applies to dental plans issued, amended, or renewed on or after January 1, 2027.

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

(Amends R.S. 22:1157(D)(2)(intro para); Adds R.S. 22:1157(A)(6) and (D)(2)(c) and (4))

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