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DIGEST

Mills (SB 400)

<u>Proposed law</u> provides relative to recovery audit contractors, mandated by provisions of the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for findings by the legislature dealing with the appropriate expenditure of healthcare dollars, particularly through the Medicaid program.

Proposed law provides for definitions.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for specific requirements for recovery audit contractors, the private entities with whom the state will contract to conduct the audits of the claims of Medicaid providers.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides a framework for a reimbursement reconciliation process, the scope of review for audit purposes, a time frame within which audits may be conducted, and a determination letter to be furnished to the provider.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for both informal and formal appeal procedures available to providers whose claims have been denied or from whom overpayments are to be repaid.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides for minimum criteria to be utilized by the contractor to be promulgated by the Medicaid program.

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