SENATE COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS

2015 Regular Session

Amendments proposed by Senate Committee on Health and Welfare to Original Senate Bill No. 163 by Senator Mills

1	AMENDMENT NO. 1
2 3 4	On page 1, line 2, after "care;" delete the remainder of the line and delete line 3, and insert "to provide for definitions; to provide for managed care organizations' pharmacy reimbursement; to provide"
5	AMENDMENT NO. 2
6	On page 1, delete line 7, and insert:
7	"§460.36. Pharmacy reimbursement by managed care oragnizations"
8	AMENDMENT NO. 3
9	On page 1, between lines 7 and 8, insert:
10	"A. Words and terms used in this Section shall have the following
11	meanings:
12	(1) "Actual ingredient cost" means the cost paid by the pharmacy to
13	acquire the drug product for resale less any applicable wholesaler or
14	manufacturer price concessions.
15	(2) "Department" means the Department of Health and Hospitals.
16	(3) "Legacy Medicaid rate" means the lesser of one of the following:
17	(a) The published Medicaid fee-for-service reimbursement rate for the
18	combination of the ingredient cost and dispensing fee in use for the current
19	approved Medicaid state plan in effect on the date of service.
20	(b) The usual and customary charge. This charge shall be the price the
21	provider most frequently charges the general public for the same drug unless
22	otherwise defined in the current approved Medicaid state plan in effect on the
23	date of service.
24	(c) The pharmacy's submitted charge.
25	(4) "Local pharmacy" means any pharmacy, domiciled in at least one
26	Louisiana parish that:
27	(a) Contracts with the managed care organization or the managed care
28	organization's contractor in its own name or through a pharmacy services
29	administration organization and not under the authority of a group purchasing
30	organization.
31	(b) Has fewer than ten retail outlets under its corporate umbrella."
32	AMENDMENT NO. 4
33	On page 1, line 8, delete "A." and insert "B."
34	AMENDMENT NO. 5
35	On page 1, delete lines 10 through 16 and insert:
36	"C No managed save enganization shall usimbures a least nharmany of
36	"C. No managed care organization shall reimburse a local pharmacy at
37	a rate less than a reasonable dispensing fee plus the lesser of the following:
38	(1) That pharmacy's actual ingredient cost.
39	(2) The rate at which that pharmacy could have acquired that drug

product from a commercial wholesaler that does business with other local

pharmacies in Louisiana.

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	D. No later than August 1, 2015, the department shall promulgate rules,
2	in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act, providing for the
3	enforcement of this Section relative to the Medical Assistance Program. At a
1	minimum, these rules shall provide for provider dispute resolution and
5	departmental oversight and enforcement of this Section.
5	E. If the department does not have a rule in effect providing for the
7	enforcement of this Section on June 15, 2016, no managed care organization
3	shall pay a local pharmacy a per-prescription reimbursement at a rate less than
)	the legacy Medicaid rate for any prescription filled after June 15, 2016."