SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 476

2016 Regular Session

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KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

HEALTH/ACC INSURANCE. Requires health insurance coverage for temporalmandibular joint disorders. (gov sig)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Technical amendments only to correct spelling of temporalmandibular

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

DIGEST

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<u>Proposed law</u> requires every hospital, health, or medical expense insurance policy in the large group market as defined in <u>present law</u> to include coverage of diagnosis and treatment for temporalmandibular joint (TMJ) and associated musculature and neurological conditions.

<u>Proposed law</u> exempts the Office of Group Benefits (OGB) from the requirements of proposed law.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the TMJ insurance coverage to be subject to the same conditions, limitations, precertification, prior authorization, referral procedures, copayment, and coinsurance provisions that apply coverage for diagnosis and treatment involving other bones or joints of the human skeleton.

<u>Proposed law</u> applies to all new policies, plans, certificates, and contracts issued on or after January 1, 2018. Further requires existing policies, plans, certificates, and contracts to include coverage for TMJ by January 1, 2019.

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

(Adds R.S. 22:1055)

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