

SENATE SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS

SB 130

2018 Regular Session

Mills

KEYWORD AND SUMMARY AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

MEDICAID. Provides for contracts for Medicaid pharmacy benefit management services. (8/1/18)

SUMMARY OF HOUSE AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE BILL

1. Removes language allowing LDH to issue a requests for proposal for a single pharmacy benefit manager.
2. Removes language allowing LDH to amend pharmacy services out of the current Medicaid managed care organization contracts and issue a request for proposal to provide this service as long as it complies with the Louisiana Procurement Code and the contracting requirements of proposed law.
3. Adds requirement that as to "any willing provider" that the pharmacy or pharmacist meet all the requirements of participating in the state Medicaid program.
4. Makes technical changes.

DIGEST OF THE SENATE BILL AS RETURNED TO THE SENATE

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Proposed law requires Medicaid pharmacy benefit manager contracts to be limited to a set per transaction rate for every pharmacy claim paid. Proposed law prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from retaining federal drug rebates, credits, or "spread pricing" amounts in excess of what they paid the pharmacist.

Proposed law allows the Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) to amend current contracts to comply with these provisions. Proposed law allows LDH to terminate the contract of any managed care organization or pharmacy benefit manager who does not wish to adhere to these contract provisions and issue a request for proposal to other pharmacy benefit managers.

Proposed law requires LDH, after August 1, 2018, to include the provisions of present law in any requests for proposal for Medicaid managed care organizations or pharmacy benefit managers.

Proposed law establishes an "any willing provider" clause to prohibit Medicaid managed care organizations or pharmacy benefit managers from denying Louisiana licensed pharmacies and pharmacists from the opportunity to participate in the plan provider networks provided the pharmacy or pharmacist meets all the requirements of participating in the state Medicaid program.

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(Adds R.S. 39:1648)

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