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SENATE BILL NO. 503

BY SENATOR HEITMEIER

HEALTH/HOSPITALS DEPT. Provides for the Department of Health and Hospitals to create an upper payment limit mechanism for ambulatory surgical centers. (gov sig)

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:1300.333, relative to Medicaid; to provide for the Department of Health 3 and Hospitals' upper payment limit mechanism for ambulatory surgical centers; to provide for rules and regulations; to provide an effective date; and to provide for 4 5 related matters. 6 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 7 Section 1. R.S. 40:1300.333 is hereby enacted to read as follows: 8 §1300.333. Upper payment limit mechanism for ambulatory surgical centers 9 A. The Department of Health and Hospitals is authorized to seek 10 approval from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services of a program 11 designed to reimburse ambulatory surgical centers that have an agreement with a governmental entity or entities to provide enhanced Medicaid services. 12 13 B. The Department of Health and Hospitals may develop and maintain a Medicaid upper payment limit financing methodology for ambulatory surgical 14 centers provided for in Subsection A of this Section. The disbursements of 15 money generated by the use of an upper payment limit methodology shall be 16 made only in accordance with an approved waiver or state plan amendment. 17

The source of the nonfederal match for these payments may only be by

voluntary certification of expenditures or intergovernmental transfer of funds.

Section 2. This Act shall become effective upon signature by the governor or, if not

signed by the governor, upon expiration of the time for bills to become law without signature

by the governor, as provided by Article III, Section 18 of the Constitution of Louisiana. If

vetoed by the governor and subsequently approved by the legislature, this Act shall become

effective on the day following such approval.

The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Christopher D. Adams.

DIGEST

Heitmeier (SB 503)

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the Department of Health and Hospitals to seek approval from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services of a program designed to reimburse ambulatory surgical centers that have an agreement with a governmental entity or entities to provide enhanced Medicaid services.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the department to develop and maintain a Medicaid upper payment limit financing methodology for the ambulatory surgical centers provided for in <u>proposed law</u>. <u>Proposed law</u> provides disbursements of money generated by the use of an upper payment limit methodology shall be made only in accordance with an approved waiver or state plan amendment and provides the source of the nonfederal match for these payments may only be by voluntary certification of expenditures or intergovernmental transfer of funds.

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

(Adds R.S. 40:1300.333)