2016 Regular Session

HOUSE BILL NO. 490

BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBAS

INSURANCE/HEALTH: Provides for the submission of a remittance advice by health insurers to pharmacists

1	AN ACT
2	To amend and reenact R.S. 22:1856(C)(introductory paragraph) and (14) and to enact R.S.
3	22:1856(C)(15), relative to pharmacy claims to health insurance issuers; to provide
4	for an authorized time period for a health insurer to send a remittance advice; to
5	require certain information on the remittance advice; and to provide for related
6	matters.
7	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
8	Section 1. R.S. 22:1856(C)(introductory paragraph) and (14) are hereby amended
9	and reenacted and R.S. 22:1856(C)(15) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
10	§1856. Thirty-day payment Payment standard; limitations on claim filing and
11	audits; remittance advice
12	* * *
13	C. Each remittance advice generated by a health insurance issuer or its agent
14	to a pharmacist or his agent or pharmacy or its agent shall be postmarked within
15	seven business days sent on the date of payment and shall include the following
16	information, clearly identified and totaled for each claim listed:
17	* * *
18	(14) <u>Network identifier.</u>
19	(15) A toll-free telephone number for assistance with the remittance advice.
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Section 2. This Act shall become effective on January 1, 2017.

DIGEST

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Abstract: Requires a health insurer to send a remittance advice on the date of payment.

<u>Present law</u> requires a health insurer to send a remittance advice to a pharmacy within seven business days of payment.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the health insurer to send the remittance advice on the date of payment.

<u>Present law</u> requires the remittance advice to include certain information, clearly identified and totaled for each claim listed.

<u>Proposed law</u> retains <u>present law</u> and adds the requirement that the remittance advice include the network identifier.

Effective January 1, 2017.

(Amends R.S. 22:1856(C)(intro. para.) and (14); Adds R.S. 22:1856(C)(15))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

- The Committee Amendments Proposed by <u>House Committee on Insurance</u> to the <u>original</u> bill:
- 1. Add effective date of January 1, 2017.