



103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2023 and 2024

SB2735

Introduced 1/12/2024, by Sen. Laura Fine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/355.6 new
215 ILCS 125/4-6.6 new

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that no insurer, health maintenance organization, managed care plan, health care plan, preferred provider organization, or third-party administrator, or bank or payment processing company under contract with one of those entities, shall charge a provider a fee, fine, or cost for using an electronic funds transfer process, including, but not limited to, direct deposit, virtual or digital checks, or virtual credit cards, to receive payment for health care services provided to an insured. Amends the Health Maintenance Organization Act to make a conforming change. Effective immediately.

LRB103 34765 RPS 64615 b

1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by
5 adding Section 355.6 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/355.6 new)

7 Sec. 355.6. Electronic payment fees prohibited.

8 (a) No insurer, health maintenance organization, managed
9 care plan, health care plan, preferred provider organization,
10 or third-party administrator, or bank or payment processing
11 company under contract with one of those entities, shall
12 charge a provider a fee, fine, or cost for using an electronic
13 funds transfer process, including, but not limited to, direct
14 deposit, virtual or digital checks, or virtual credit cards,
15 to receive payment for health care services provided to an
16 insured.

17 (b) As used in this Section, "provider" has the meaning
18 set forth in Section 370g of this Code.

19 Section 10. The Health Maintenance Organization Act is
20 amended by adding Section 4-6.6 as follows:

21 (215 ILCS 125/4-6.6 new)

1 Sec. 4-6.6. Electronic payment fees prohibition. A health
2 maintenance organization is subject to Section 355.6 of the
3 Illinois Insurance Code.

4 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon
5 becoming law.