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1 AMENDMENT TO HOUSE BILL 1432

2 AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_. Amend House Bill 1432 on page 1, by  
3 replacing line 5 with the following:

4 "changing Sections 370c, 512-1, 512-2, 512-3, 512-4, 512-5,  
5 512-6, 512-7, 512-8, 512-9, and 512-10, by adding Sections  
6 512-7.5, 512-7.10, 512-11, and 512-12, and by changing the  
7 heading of Article XXXI 1/2 as follows:"; and

8 on page 7, immediately below line 1, by inserting the  
9 following:

10 "(215 ILCS 5/Art. XXXI.5 heading)

11 ARTICLE XXXI 1/2.

12 PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGEMENT ~~THIRD PARTY PRESCRIPTION~~ PROGRAMS

13 (215 ILCS 5/512-1) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-1)

14 Sec. 512-1. Short Title. This Article shall be known and  
15 may be cited as the "Pharmacy Benefits Management Programs Law

1 ~~Third Party Prescription Program Act".~~

2 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

3 (215 ILCS 5/512-2) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-2)

4 Sec. 512-2. Purpose. It is hereby determined and declared  
5 that the purpose of this Article is to regulate pharmacy  
6 benefits management programs ~~certain practices engaged in by~~  
7 ~~third party prescription program administrators.~~

8 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

9 (215 ILCS 5/512-3) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-3)

10 Sec. 512-3. Definitions. For the purposes of this Article,  
11 unless the context otherwise requires, the terms defined in  
12 this Article have the meanings ascribed to them herein:

13 "Covered entity" means any entity that has entered into an  
14 agreement, directly or indirectly, with a pharmacy benefits  
15 manager to provide a pharmacy benefits management program.

16 "Covered entity" includes, but is not limited to, a person or  
17 entity that has entered into a contract for prescription health  
18 care services with an insurer, Health Maintenance  
19 Organization, Limited Health Services Organization, or  
20 Voluntary Health Services Plan under which the pharmacy  
21 benefits manager is contractually obligated to provide a  
22 pharmacy benefits management program.

23 "Covered individual" means a member, participant,  
24 enrollee, contract holder, policy holder, or beneficiary of a

1 covered entity who is provided prescription health coverage by  
2 the covered entity. "Covered individual" includes, but is not  
3 limited to, a dependent or other person who is provided health  
4 coverage through a policy, contract, or plan for a covered  
5 individual.

6 "Director" means the Director of the Division of Insurance  
7 of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

8 "Division" means the Division of Insurance of the  
9 Department of Financial and Professional Regulation.

10 "Maximum allowable cost" or "MAC" means the maximum  
11 allowable cost for a prescribed generic drug dispensed under  
12 PBM Program Networks as determined by the program administrator  
13 from time to time pursuant to a MAC list to be provided  
14 electronically to pharmacy network participants at least  
15 quarterly or more frequently upon a pharmacy request. The MAC  
16 is based upon the average published wholesale price of at least  
17 2 different manufacturers of the applicable generic drug (for  
18 the same strength), or as published in 2 nationally recognized  
19 drug databases and identified in the approved pharmacy network  
20 contract.

21 "Pharmacy benefits management program" or "program" means  
22 a system providing for the administration of or reimbursement  
23 for pharmacy services and prescription drug products offered in  
24 this State by a PBM for or on behalf of a covered entity.

25 "Pharmacy benefits manager" or "PBM" means any person,  
26 partnership, or corporation that issues or causes to be issued

1 any payment or reimbursement to a provider for services  
2 rendered pursuant to a pharmacy benefits management program or  
3 an entity that procures prescription drugs at a negotiated  
4 rate. "Pharmacy benefits manager "or "PBM" does not include the  
5 Director of Healthcare and Family Services or any agent  
6 authorized by the Director of Healthcare and Family Services to  
7 reimburse or procure prescription drugs at a negotiated rate  
8 pursuant to a program of which the Department of Healthcare and  
9 Family Services is the third party or covered entity, nor does  
10 it include a pharmacy or pharmacy network provider.

11 "Pharmacy" has the meaning given to the term in the  
12 Pharmacy Practice Act.

13 "Pharmacy network provider" means a pharmacist or pharmacy  
14 that has a contractual relationship with a health benefit plan  
15 or pharmacy benefit manager to provide pharmacist services or  
16 medication therapy management services, as defined in the  
17 Pharmacy Practice Act.

18 "Pharmacy reimbursement rate" means the amount a PBM pays  
19 to a pharmacy or pharmacy network provider for prescription  
20 drugs and services provided by the pharmacy or pharmacy network  
21 provider to the PBM.

22 "Rebates" means any valuable consideration or inducement  
23 to directly affect or influence the dispensing of pharmacy  
24 drugs, supplies, or services.

25 ~~(a) "Third party prescription program" or "program" means~~  
26 ~~any system of providing for the reimbursement of pharmaceutical~~

1 ~~services and prescription drug products offered or operated in~~  
2 ~~this State under a contractual arrangement or agreement between~~  
3 ~~a provider of such services and another party who is not the~~  
4 ~~consumer of those services and products. Such programs may~~  
5 ~~include, but need not be limited to, employee benefit plans~~  
6 ~~whereby a consumer receives prescription drugs or other~~  
7 ~~pharmaceutical services and those services are paid for by an~~  
8 ~~agent of the employer or others.~~

9 ~~(b) "Third party program administrator" or "administrator"~~  
10 ~~means any person, partnership or corporation who issues or~~  
11 ~~causes to be issued any payment or reimbursement to a provider~~  
12 ~~for services rendered pursuant to a third party prescription~~  
13 ~~program, but does not include the Director of Healthcare and~~  
14 ~~Family Services or any agent authorized by the Director to~~  
15 ~~reimburse a provider of services rendered pursuant to a program~~  
16 ~~of which the Department of Healthcare and Family Services is~~  
17 ~~the third party.~~

18 (Source: P.A. 95-331, eff. 8-21-07.)

19 (215 ILCS 5/512-4) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-4)

20 Sec. 512-4. Licensure; application and fees ~~Registration.~~

21 (a) No person, partnership, corporation, or other entity  
22 may act as a PBM or provide a pharmacy benefits management  
23 program in this State without being licensed by the Division.

24 (b) Each applicant for licensure must file with the  
25 Director the following information and documents:

1           (1) the name of the company and the state or country  
2           under the laws of which the company is organized or  
3           authorized;

4           (2) the title of the Act under or by which the company  
5           was incorporated or organized, the date of its  
6           incorporation or organization, and, if a corporation, the  
7           period of its duration;

8           (3) an organizational chart;

9           (4) a list of the names, addresses, titles, and  
10          biographical affidavits of the officers of the PBM;

11          (5) a sample copy of contracts utilized by the PBM  
12          between the PBM and covered entities and between the PBM  
13          and its pharmacy network providers; and

14          (6) such other information as the Director may  
15          reasonably request.

16          (c) A licensee shall keep current the information required  
17          under items (1) through (5) of subsection (b) of this Section  
18          by reporting all material changes or additions to the Director  
19          within 30 calendar days after the end of the month of each  
20          change or addition. A material change or addition includes any  
21          modification of the information that has a significant effect  
22          on the operation of the PBM or pharmacy benefit management  
23          program.

24          (d) Beginning on January 1, 2009, each PBM doing business  
25          in this State must pay to the Director an initial licensure fee  
26          of \$1,000. Thereafter, annually on or before January 1 of each

1 year, a PBM doing business in this State that seeks to renew a  
2 PBM license must pay to the Director a renewal fee of \$250. All  
3 fees collected under this Section shall be deposited into the  
4 Insurance Producer Administration Fund.

5 (e) This Section does not apply to licensed insurance  
6 companies, Health Maintenance Organizations, Limited Health  
7 Services Organizations, and Voluntary Health Services Plans.  
8 ~~All third party prescription programs and administrators doing~~  
9 ~~business in the State shall register with the Director of~~  
10 ~~Insurance. The Director shall promulgate regulations~~  
11 ~~establishing criteria for registration in accordance with the~~  
12 ~~terms of this Article. The Director may by rule establish an~~  
13 ~~annual registration fee for each third party administrator.~~

14 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

15 (215 ILCS 5/512-5) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-5)

16 Sec. 512-5. License denial, non-renewal, or revocation  
17 ~~Fiduciary and Bonding Requirements.~~

18 (a) The Director may place on probation, suspend, revoke,  
19 or refuse to issue or renew a PBM license or may levy a civil  
20 penalty in accordance with this Section or take any combination  
21 of actions for any one or more of the following causes:

22 (1) Intentionally providing incorrect, misleading, or  
23 materially untrue information in the license application.

24 (2) Intentionally violating any provision of this Law  
25 or the insurance laws of this or another state or violating

1       any rule, subpoena, or order of the Director or another  
2       appropriate state regulator.

3               (3) Obtaining or attempting to obtain a license through  
4       misrepresentation or fraud.

5               (4) Improperly withholding, misappropriating, or  
6       converting any moneys or properties received in the course  
7       of doing business.

8               (5) Intentionally misrepresenting the terms of any  
9       contract or agreement between a PBM and a covered entity.

10              (6) Having admitted to or been found to have committed  
11       any unfair trade practice or fraud.

12              (7) Using fraudulent, coercive, or dishonest practices  
13       or demonstrating incompetence, untrustworthiness, or  
14       financial irresponsibility in the conduct of business in  
15       this State or elsewhere.

16              (8) Having a professional license or registration that  
17       is comparable to a license issued under this Law denied,  
18       suspended, or revoked in any other state, province,  
19       district, or territory.

20              (9) Forging a name to an application.

21              (10) Failing to pay any tax or fee, as required by law.

22              (b) If the action by the Director is to deny renewal,  
23       suspend, or revoke a license or to deny an application for  
24       licensure, the Director shall notify the licensee or applicant  
25       and advise, in writing, the licensee or applicant of the reason  
26       for the suspension, revocation, or denial. The applicant or

1 licensee may make written demand upon the Director within 30  
2 calendar days after the date of mailing of notice for a hearing  
3 before the Director to determine the reasonableness of the  
4 Director's action. The hearing must be held within not fewer  
5 than 20 calendar days nor more than 30 calendar days after the  
6 mailing of the notice of hearing and shall be held pursuant to  
7 the Illinois Administrative Code.

8 (c) In addition to or instead of any applicable denial,  
9 suspension, or revocation of a license, an applicant or  
10 licensee may, after hearing, be subject to a civil penalty.

11 (d) The Director has the authority to enforce and, by  
12 order, require compliance with the provisions of this Article  
13 against any person or PBM who is under investigation for or  
14 charged with a violation of this Law or Code even if the  
15 license has been surrendered or has lapsed by operation of law.

16 (e) Upon the suspension, denial, or revocation of a  
17 license, the licensee having possession or custody of the  
18 license shall promptly deliver it to the Director in person or  
19 by mail. The Director shall publish all suspensions, denials,  
20 or revocations after the suspension, denial, or revocation  
21 becomes final.

22 (f) A licensee whose license is revoked or applicant whose  
23 application is denied pursuant to this Section is ineligible to  
24 apply for any pharmacy benefits management program or PBM  
25 license under this Law for 3 years after the revocation or  
26 denial. A PBM whose license as a pharmacy benefits management

1 program has been revoked, suspended, or denied may not be  
2 employed, contracted, or engaged in any related capacity during  
3 the time the revocation, suspension, or denial is in effect.

4 (g) A PBM must inform the Director in a manner acceptable  
5 to the Director of a change of address within 30 calendar days  
6 after the change. A third party prescription program  
7 administrator shall (1) establish and maintain a fiduciary  
8 account, separate and apart from any and all other accounts,  
9 for the receipt and disbursement of funds for reimbursement of  
10 providers of services under the program, or (2) post, or cause  
11 to be posted, a bond of indemnity in an amount equal to not  
12 less than 10% of the total estimated annual reimbursements  
13 under the program.

14 ~~The establishment of such fiduciary accounts and bonds~~  
15 ~~shall be consistent with applicable State law. If a bond of~~  
16 ~~indemnity is posted, it shall be held by the Director of~~  
17 ~~Insurance for the benefit and indemnification of the providers~~  
18 ~~of services under the third party prescription program.~~

19 (h) Any PBM ~~An administrator~~ who operates more than one  
20 pharmacy benefits management ~~third party prescription~~ program  
21 may establish and maintain a separate fiduciary account or bond  
22 of indemnity for each such program, or may operate and maintain  
23 a consolidated fiduciary account or bond of indemnity for all  
24 such programs.

25 The requirements of this subsection (h) ~~Section~~ do not  
26 apply to any pharmacy benefits management ~~third party~~

1 ~~prescription~~ program administered by or on behalf of any  
2 insurance company, Health Maintenance Organization, Limited  
3 Health Service Organization, or Voluntary Health Services Plan  
4 ~~Care Service Plan Corporation or Pharmaceutical Service Plan~~  
5 ~~Corporation~~ authorized to do business in the State of Illinois.  
6 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

7 (215 ILCS 5/512-6) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-6)  
8 Sec. 512-6. Notice. Notice of any change in the terms  
9 of a pharmacy benefits management ~~third party prescription~~  
10 program, including but not limited to drugs covered,  
11 reimbursement rates, co-payments, and dosage quantity, shall  
12 be given to each enrolled pharmacy as soon as possible ~~at least~~  
13 ~~30 days~~ prior to the time it becomes effective.  
14 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

15 (215 ILCS 5/512-7) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-7)  
16 Sec. 512-7. Required program and contractual ~~Contractual~~  
17 provisions.  
18 (a) Any agreement or contract entered into ~~in this State~~  
19 between a PBM ~~the administrator of a program~~ and a pharmacy  
20 under a pharmacy benefits management program shall include a  
21 statement of the method of calculating ~~and amount of~~  
22 reimbursement to be paid to to the pharmacy for services  
23 rendered to persons enrolled in the program, the frequency of  
24 payment by the PBM ~~program administrator~~ to the pharmacy for

1 those services, and a method for the adjudication of complaints  
2 and the settlement of disputes between the contracting parties.

3 (b) Every pharmacy benefit management program shall do each  
4 of the following:

5 (1) Provide ~~A program shall provide~~ an annual period  
6 of at least 30 days during which any pharmacy licensed  
7 under the Pharmacy Practice Act may elect to participate in  
8 the program under the program terms for at least one year.  
9 Beginning January 1, 2009, all agreements between a  
10 pharmacy benefits management program and any other person  
11 shall comply with the requirements of this Law. To the  
12 extent that any such agreement renewed or extended after  
13 December 31, 2008 fails to comply with the requirements of  
14 this Law, such requirements shall be deemed to be  
15 incorporated into those agreements by operation of law as  
16 of the date of the renewal of execution.

17 (2) Keep current the information required to be  
18 disclosed in its application for licensure by reporting all  
19 material changes or additions to the Director within 30  
20 days after each change or addition. ~~If compliance with the~~  
21 ~~requirements of this subsection (b) would impair any~~  
22 ~~provision of a contract between a program and any other~~  
23 ~~person, and if the contract provision was in existence~~  
24 ~~before January 1, 1990, then immediately after the~~  
25 ~~expiration of those contract provisions the program shall~~  
26 ~~comply with the requirements of this subsection (b).~~

1           (3) Cause to be issued an identification card to  
2 covered individuals. The identification card shall comply  
3 with the Uniform Prescription Drug Information Card Act.  
4 ~~This subsection (b) does not apply if:~~

5           ~~(A) the program administrator is a licensed health~~  
6 ~~maintenance organization that owns or controls a~~  
7 ~~pharmacy and that enters into an agreement or contract~~  
8 ~~with that pharmacy in accordance with subsection (a);~~  
9 ~~or~~

10           ~~(B) the program administrator is a licensed health~~  
11 ~~maintenance organization that is owned or controlled~~  
12 ~~by another entity that also owns or controls a~~  
13 ~~pharmacy, and the administrator enters into an~~  
14 ~~agreement or contract with that pharmacy in accordance~~  
15 ~~with subsection (a).~~

16           (4) Make changes to a formulary or a prescription drug  
17 list (PDL) only on the anniversary date of the contract or  
18 through mutual consent of the PBM and the covered entity.  
19 The PBM shall establish a grievance process and an appeals  
20 procedure for covered individuals effected by a formulary  
21 or PDL change. This subsection (b) shall be inoperative  
22 after October 31, 1992.

23           (c) (Blank). ~~The program administrator shall cause to be~~  
24 ~~issued an identification card to each person enrolled in the~~  
25 ~~program. The identification card shall include:~~

26           ~~(1) the name of the individual enrolled in the program;~~

1 ~~and~~

2 ~~(2) an expiration date if required under the~~  
3 ~~contractual arrangement or agreement between a provider of~~  
4 ~~pharmaceutical services and prescription drug products and~~  
5 ~~the third party prescription program administrator.~~

6 (Source: P.A. 95-689, eff. 10-29-07.)

7 (215 ILCS 5/512-7.5 new)

8 Sec. 512-7.5. Disclosures.

9 (a) A PBM shall disclose to the covered entity the  
10 aggregate total amount of any rebates received by the PBM from  
11 a pharmaceutical product manufacturer or labeler as a result of  
12 providing services to the covered entity and its covered  
13 individuals. A PBM providing information under this subsection  
14 (a) shall designate that information as confidential.  
15 Information designated as confidential by a PBM and provided to  
16 a covered entity under this subsection (a) may not be disclosed  
17 by the covered entity to any person without the consent of the  
18 PBM, except that disclosure may be made in a court filing or  
19 when authorized by law or ordered by a court of this State for  
20 good cause.

21 (b) A PBM shall disclose to a covered entity the source and  
22 amount of any claims processing and pharmacy network fees that  
23 are collected from retail pharmacies to the extent that such  
24 amounts relate directly to the services provided by the PBM to  
25 the covered entity and its covered individuals. Any and all

1 information disclosed under this subsection (b) may be  
2 designated as confidential. Information designated as  
3 confidential by a PBM and provided to a covered entity under  
4 this subsection (b) may not be disclosed by the covered entity  
5 to any person without the consent of the PBM, except as may be  
6 required in a court of law with proper jurisdiction or as  
7 authorized by law.

8 (c) Except in the case of non-rebate sharing contracts, a  
9 PBM shall disclose to a covered entity the reimbursement rates,  
10 including, where applicable, MAC levels, paid to pharmacy  
11 network providers for services provided to the covered entity  
12 and its covered individuals. Any and all information disclosed  
13 under this subsection (c) may be designated as confidential and  
14 such information may not be disclosed by a covered entity  
15 without the consent of the PBM except as may be required by a  
16 court of law with proper jurisdiction or as authorized by law,  
17 and further provided that nothing contained herein shall (i)  
18 prevent a covered entity from verifying with pharmacy network  
19 providers the actual amount of reimbursement that they are  
20 receiving from the PBM for services provided to the covered  
21 entity and its covered individuals and (ii) prevent a pharmacy  
22 network provider from disclosing to the covered entity the  
23 amount of reimbursement that it has actually received from the  
24 PBM for services provided to the covered entity and its covered  
25 individuals. Any provision contained in any contract,  
26 agreement or understanding of any type between a PBM and a

1 covered entity or between a PBM and a pharmacy network provider  
2 contrary to this subsection (c) shall be null, void, and  
3 unenforceable.

4 (d) Nothing in this Section shall prohibit a pharmacy  
5 network provider from advising a covered individual of (i)  
6 generic prescription drugs that might be available to the  
7 covered individual at a lower out-of-pocket level and (ii) that  
8 the covered individual may contact his or her prescribing  
9 provider to determine whether there is an acceptable generic  
10 prescription drug that can be used to treat the covered  
11 individual's disease or medical condition that is available at  
12 a lower out-of-pocket level.

13 (215 ILCS 5/512-7.10 new)

14 Sec. 512-7.10. Recoupment; audits.

15 (a) A PBM shall provide the pharmacy or pharmacy network  
16 provider a remittance advice which must include an explanation  
17 of a recoupment or offset taken by a PBM, if any. All pharmacy  
18 audits and recoupments must be conducted in person or, in the  
19 alternative, an official notice of audit must be sent by  
20 certified mail to the pharmacy with specific requests for  
21 information, and a minimum of 30 days must be granted for a  
22 pharmacy response from date of receipt of official request. The  
23 recoupment explanation shall, at a minimum, include the name of  
24 the patient, the date of dispensing, the prescription drug or  
25 drugs dispensed, the recoupment amount, and the reason for the

1 recoupment or offset. In addition, a PBM shall provide with the  
2 remittance advice a telephone number or mailing address to  
3 initiate an appeal of the recoupment or offset. The  
4 requirements of this Section shall be deemed fulfilled by a PBM  
5 if the information required in the recoupment explanation is  
6 provided to a pharmacy or pharmacy network provider in a notice  
7 prior to the actual recoupment.

8 Written notice must be given to the pharmacy network  
9 provider or pharmacist at least 2 weeks before the performance  
10 of the initial on-site audit for each audit cycle. Any audit  
11 performed that involves clinical or professional judgment must  
12 be conducted in consultation with a pharmacist who has  
13 knowledge of the provisions of this Article.

14 (b) Any clerical or record keeping error, including  
15 typographical errors, scrivener's errors, or computer errors,  
16 regarding a required document or record may not, in and of  
17 itself, constitute fraud; however, such claims may be subject  
18 to recoupment. Notwithstanding any other provision of law to  
19 the contrary, no such claim shall be subject to criminal  
20 penalties without proof of intent to commit fraud.

21 (c) A pharmacy network provider or pharmacist may use the  
22 records of a hospital, physician, or other authorized  
23 practitioner of the healing arts for drugs or medical supplies  
24 written or transmitted by any means of communication for  
25 purposes of validating pharmacy records with respect to orders  
26 or refills of a legend or narcotic drug.

1       (d) Extrapolation audits may not be conducted for the  
2 purpose of pharmacy audits. A finding of overpayment or  
3 underpayment may be a projection based on the number of  
4 patients served having a similar diagnosis or on the number of  
5 similar orders or refills for similar drugs; however,  
6 recoupment of claims must be based on the actual overpayment or  
7 underpayment unless the projection for overpayment or  
8 underpayment is part of a settlement as agreed to by the  
9 pharmacy network provider.

10       (e) Each pharmacy network provider or pharmacist shall be  
11 audited under the standards and parameters as other similarly  
12 situated pharmacies or pharmacists audited by a covered entity,  
13 a PBM, or a representative of a covered entity or a PBM.

14       (f) The period covered by an audit may not exceed 2 years  
15 from the date the claim was submitted to or adjudicated by a  
16 covered entity, a PBM, or a representative of a covered entity  
17 or PBM, except that this subsection (f) does not apply where a  
18 longer period is required by a federal law.

19       (g) An audit shall not be initiated or scheduled during the  
20 first 7 calendar days of any month due to the high volume of  
21 prescriptions filled during that time, unless otherwise  
22 consented to by the pharmacy network provider or pharmacist.

23       (h) Each PBM conducting an audit must establish an appeals  
24 process under which a pharmacy network provider or pharmacist  
25 may appeal an unfavorable preliminary audit report to the PBM  
26 on whose behalf the audit was conducted. The PBM conducting an

1 audit shall provide to the pharmacy network provider or its  
2 representative, before or at the time of delivery of the  
3 preliminary audit report, a written explanation of the appeals  
4 process, including the name, address, and telephone number of  
5 the person to whom an appeal should be addressed. If, following  
6 the appeal, it is determined that an unfavorable audit report  
7 or any portion thereof is unsubstantiated, the audit report or  
8 such portion shall be dismissed without the necessity of  
9 further proceedings.

10 (i) Reimbursement by a PBM under a contract to a pharmacy  
11 network provider for prescription drugs and other products and  
12 supplies that is calculated according to a formula that uses a  
13 nationally recognized reference in the pricing calculation  
14 shall use the most current nationally recognized reference  
15 prices or amount in the actual or constructive possession of  
16 the pharmacy benefits manager or its agent.

17 (215 ILCS 5/512-8) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-8)

18 Sec. 512-8. Cancellation procedures.

19 ~~(a) The administrator of a program shall notify all~~  
20 ~~pharmacies enrolled in the program of any cancellation of the~~  
21 ~~coverage of benefits of any group enrolled in the program at~~  
22 ~~least 30 days prior to the effective date of such cancellation.~~  
23 ~~However, if the administrator of a program is not notified at~~  
24 ~~least 45 days prior to the effective date of such cancellation,~~  
25 ~~the administrator shall notify all pharmacies enrolled in the~~

1 ~~program of the cancellation as soon as practicable after having~~  
2 ~~received notice.~~

3 (a) ~~(b)~~ When a program is terminated, all persons enrolled  
4 therein shall be so notified by the covered entity, ~~and the~~  
5 ~~employer shall make every reasonable effort to gain possession~~  
6 ~~of any plan identification cards in such persons' possession.~~

7 (b) ~~(c)~~ Any covered individual ~~person~~ who intentionally  
8 uses a program identification card to obtain services from a  
9 pharmacy after having received notice of the cancellation of  
10 his or her benefits shall be guilty of a Class C misdemeanor.  
11 Persons shall be liable to the PBM ~~program administrator~~ for  
12 all monies paid by the PBM ~~program administrator~~ for any  
13 services received pursuant to any improper use of the  
14 identification card.

15 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

16 (215 ILCS 5/512-9) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-9)

17 Sec. 512-9. Denial of Payment.

18 (a) No PBM administrator shall deny payment to any pharmacy  
19 for covered pharmaceutical services or prescription drug  
20 products that were in real-time approved to be dispensed  
21 pursuant to an on-line adjudication program. ~~rendered as a~~  
22 ~~result of the misuse, fraudulent or illegal use of an~~  
23 ~~identification card unless such identification card had~~  
24 ~~expired, been noticeably altered, or the pharmacy was notified~~  
25 ~~of the cancellation of such card. In lieu of notifying~~

1 ~~pharmacies which have a common ownership, the administrator may~~  
2 ~~notify a party designated by the pharmacy to receive such~~  
3 ~~notice, in which case, notification shall not become effective~~  
4 ~~until 5 calendar days after the designee receives notification.~~

5 (b) No PBM ~~program administrator~~ may withhold any payment  
6 to any pharmacy for covered pharmaceutical services or  
7 prescription drug products beyond the time period specified in  
8 the payment schedule provisions of the agreement, except for  
9 individual claims for payment which have been returned to the  
10 pharmacy as incomplete or illegible. Such returned claims shall  
11 be paid if resubmitted by the pharmacy to the PBM ~~program~~  
12 ~~administrator~~ with the appropriate corrections made.

13 (c) When a PBM utilizes a method of pharmacy reimbursement  
14 that utilizes a MAC calculation, it shall attempt to reimburse  
15 the dispensing network pharmacy at an amount not less than the  
16 pharmacy acquisition cost plus an acceptable dispensing fee, as  
17 set out in the pharmacy network agreement. In the event the MAC  
18 rate is less than the network pharmacy acquisition cost, the  
19 PBM shall have an appeal procedure in place to respond to  
20 pharmacy requests for rate review. This process must provide  
21 for a written response explaining the outcome of the review to  
22 the requesting pharmacy within 30 days. If the rate is  
23 adjusted, the adjustment will be made retroactive to the date  
24 of the appeal request. In the event the appeal is not upheld or  
25 acknowledged in a timely manner, a third party independent  
26 review panel may review the claims as submitted by the

1 pharmacies and submit periodic reports to the Director for  
2 further determination.

3 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

4 (215 ILCS 5/512-10) (from Ch. 73, par. 1065.59-10)

5 Sec. 512-10. Failure to obtain licensure Register. Any PBM  
6 that fails to obtain a license from the Director and pay the  
7 fee set forth in this Law ~~third party prescription program or~~  
8 ~~administrator which operates without a certificate of~~  
9 ~~registration or fails to register with the Director and pay the~~  
10 ~~fee prescribed by this Article~~ shall be construed to be an  
11 unauthorized insurer as defined in Article VII of this Code and  
12 shall be subject to all penalties contained therein.

13 The provisions of the Article shall apply to all pharmacy  
14 benefits management programs and PBMs existing and established  
15 as of the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 95th  
16 General Assembly. ~~new programs established on or after January~~  
17 ~~1, 1983. Existing programs shall comply with the provisions of~~  
18 ~~this Article on the anniversary date of the programs that~~  
19 ~~occurs on or after January 1, 1983.~~

20 (Source: P.A. 82-1005.)

21 (215 ILCS 5/512-11 new)

22 Sec. 512-11. Examination of business and affairs.

23 (a) The Director may, when and as often as the Director  
24 deems it reasonably necessary to protect the interests of the

1 public, examine the business and affairs of any licensed PBM.

2 (b) Licensees shall maintain for a period of 5 years copies  
3 of all documents, books, records, accounts, papers, and any or  
4 all computer or other recordings relating to the licensee's  
5 business and affairs of operating a pharmacy benefit management  
6 program.

7 (c) Every licensee or person from whom information is  
8 sought, including all officers, directors, employees and  
9 agents of any licensee or person from whom information is  
10 sought, shall provide to the examiners timely, convenient, and  
11 free access at all reasonable hours at the licensee's or  
12 person's offices to all books, records, accounts, papers,  
13 documents, assets, and computer or other recordings relating to  
14 the property, assets, business, and affairs of the licensee  
15 being examined. The officers, directors, employees, and agents  
16 of the licensee or person shall facilitate the examination and  
17 aid in the examination so far as it is in their power to do so.  
18 The refusal of a licensee, by its officers, directors,  
19 employees, or agents, to submit to examination or to comply  
20 with any reasonable written request of the Director shall be  
21 grounds for suspension, revocation, or denial of issuance or  
22 renewal of any license or authority held by the licensee  
23 pursuant to this Law.

24 (d) The Director or his or her designee shall have the  
25 power to issue subpoenas, administer oaths, and examine under  
26 oath any person as to any matter pertinent to the examination.

1 Upon the failure or refusal of a person to obey a subpoena, the  
2 Director may petition a court of competent jurisdiction, and,  
3 upon proper showing, the court may enter an order compelling  
4 the witness to appear and testify or produce documentary  
5 evidence.

6 (e) When making an examination under this Law, the Director  
7 may retain attorneys, appraisers, independent actuaries,  
8 independent certified public accountants, or other  
9 professionals and specialists as examiners. The costs of  
10 retaining the examiners, including their work, travel, and  
11 living expenses shall be borne by the licensee that is the  
12 subject of the examination.

13 (215 ILCS 5/512-12 new)

14 Sec. 512-12. Fines and penalties. In addition to or instead  
15 of any applicable denial, suspension, or revocation of a  
16 license issued under this Law, a licensee may, after a hearing,  
17 be subject to a civil penalty of up to \$50,000 for each cause  
18 of denial, suspension, or revocation.

19 Any licensee or other person who willfully or repeatedly  
20 fails to observe or who otherwise violates any of the  
21 provisions of this Law or this Code or any rule adopted or  
22 final order entered thereunder shall, by civil penalty, forfeit  
23 to the Division a sum not to exceed \$5,000. Each day during  
24 which a violation occurs constitutes a separate offense."