97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

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SB1545

Introduced 2/9/2011, by Sen. William R. Haine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/355.3 new 215 ILCS 5/368d

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that dental insurance plans must list in the fee schedule attached to the contract every Code on Dental Procedures and Nomenclature (CDT) code upon which the plan imposes a capped fee and the dollar amount of the capped fee. Provides that any CDT code not so listed shall not be subject to any fee cap, and the provider may balance bill the patient. Provides that dental insurance plans must highlight any changes in subsequent contract terms or conditions and shall have the original plan administrator notify the enrolled dentist and allow the dentist sufficient time to respond. Provides that no recoupment or offset may be requested or withheld from future payments 366 or more days after the original payment is made. Provides that no contract between an insurer and a health care professional or health care provider may provide for recoupments in violation of the provision concerning recoupment.

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AN ACT concerning insurance.

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 changing Section 368d and by adding Section 355.3 as follows:

6 (215 ILCS 5/355.3 new)

7 <u>Sec. 355.3. Dental plans; contracting.</u>

(a) Every company that issues, delivers, amends, or renews 8 9 any individual or group policy of accident and health insurance 10 on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 97th General Assembly that provides dental insurance must list 11 in the fee schedule attached to the contract every American 12 13 Dental Association's Code on Dental Procedures and 14 Nomenclature (CDT) code upon which the plan imposes a capped fee and the specific dollar amount of the capped fee. 15

16 <u>(b) Any CDT code not listed in the contract as prescribed</u> 17 <u>in subsection (a) of this Section shall not be subject to any</u> 18 <u>fee cap. In such cases, the provider may balance bill the</u> 19 <u>patient.</u>

20 (c) Every company that issues, delivers, amends, or renews
21 any individual or group policy of accident and health insurance
22 on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the
23 97th General Assembly that provides dental insurance must

highlight any changes in subsequent contract terms or conditions, including changes in reimbursement, and shall have the original plan administrator notify the enrolled dentist and allow the dentist sufficient time to review, renegotiate, or terminate the contract.

6 (215 ILCS 5/368d)

7 Sec. 368d. Recoupments.

8 (a) A health care professional or health care provider 9 shall be provided a remittance advice, which must include an 10 explanation of a recoupment or offset taken by an insurer, 11 health maintenance organization, independent practice 12 association, or physician hospital organization, if any. The 13 recoupment explanation shall, at a minimum, include the name of 14 the patient; the date of service; the service code or if no 15 service code is available a service description; the recoupment 16 amount; and the reason for the recoupment or offset. In insurer, health maintenance organization, 17 addition, an 18 independent practice association, or physician hospital organization shall provide with the remittance advice a 19 20 telephone number or mailing address to initiate an appeal of 21 the recoupment or offset.

(b) It is not a recoupment when a health care professional or health care provider is paid an amount prospectively or concurrently under a contract with an insurer, health maintenance organization, independent practice association, or

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1	physician hospital organizatio	on that	requires	a retr	ospect	tive
2	reconciliation based upon spec	cific co	nditions	outline	ed in	the
3	contract.					
4	(c) No recoupment or offse	et may 1	be reque	sted or	with	neld
5	from future payments 366 or	more o	days aft	er the	origi	lnal
6	payment is made. No contract 1	between	an insu	rer and	a hea	alth
7	care professional or health	care pi	rovider	may pro	vide	for
8	recoupments in violation of thi	s Sectio	on.			
9	(Source: P.A. 93-261, eff. 1-1-	-04.)				