97TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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SB2256

Introduced 2/15/2011, by Sen. William R. Haine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/368g new

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that no insurer shall implement any change to a provider contract that may adversely impact reimbursement unless, prior to the effective date of the change, the insurer gives the health care provider with whom the insurer has directly contracted and who is impacted by the change at least 60 days written notice of the change. Sets forth provisions concerning notice.

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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:

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by adding
 Section 368g as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/368g new)
- 7 <u>Sec. 368g. Provider contract changes.</u>

(a) No insurer shall implement a change to a provider 8 9 contract or modify policies and procedures that have been 10 incorporated or incorporated by reference into that contract that may adversely impact reimbursement unless, prior to the 11 effective date of the change, the insurer gives the health care 12 provider with whom the insurer has directly contracted and who 13 14 is impacted by the change at least 60 days written notice of the change. 15

16 (b) If the contracting health care provider objects to the 17 change that is the subject of the notice from the insurer, then 18 the health care provider may, within 30 days after the date of 19 the notice, give written notice to the insurer to terminate the 20 contract with the insurer effective upon the implementation 21 date of the adverse reimbursement change.

22 (c) The notice provisions required by this Section shall
23 <u>not apply where:</u>

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(1) such change is otherwise required by law, 1 2 regulation or applicable regulatory authority, or as a result of changes in fee schedules, reimbursement 3 methodology, or payment policies established by a 4 5 government agency or by the American Medical Association's current procedural terminology codes, reporting 6 7 guidelines, and conventions; or 8 (2) such change is expressly provided for under the 9 terms of the contract by the inclusion of or reference to a specific fee or fee schedule, reimbursement methodology, 10 11 or payment policy indexing mechanism.

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