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Representative Stevens

moves to amend the bill on page 13, lines 34 -35, by inserting the following new section between the lines:

"SECTION 42.1. Pursuant to 31 U. S.C. §6504, the Department of Health and Human Services shall request a waiver from the single State agency requirement contained in 42 CFR 432.10(e)(3), with regard to final decisions in administrative hearings. The waiver application shall include the following:

- The waiver request is made at the direction of the North Carolina General Assembly which is responsible for the organizational structure of State government.
- The single State agency requirement prevents the establishment of the most (2)effective and efficient arrangement for providing administrative hearings to claimants because it requires that after a hearing and decision by an administrative law judge, the case must be returned to the agency for a final decision. The return to the agency is an unnecessary, time consuming, and costly additional step.
- The use of another State administrative hearings arrangement will not (3) endanger the objectives of the law authorizing the Medicaid program because the administrative law judges will abide by the properly adopted policies, rules, and regulations of the State Medicaid agency in making final decisions.".

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Committee Chair if Senate Committee Amendment

Senie Weller