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SENATE DRS75176-ME-64 (03/14)

Short Title: Chiropractor Co-Pay Parity. (Public)

Sponsors: Senator Hise (Primary Sponsor).

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO REENACT A LAW CONCERNING HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN  
3 CO-PAYMENTS FOR CHIROPRACTIC SERVICES.  
4 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
5 SECTION 1. G.S. 58-50-30(a3) reads as rewritten:  
6 "(a3) Whenever any health benefit plan, subscriber contract, or policy of insurance issued  
7 by a health maintenance organization, hospital or medical service corporation, or insurer  
8 governed by Articles 1 through 67 of this Chapter provides coverage for medically necessary  
9 treatment, the insurer shall not impose any limitation on treatment or levels of coverage if  
10 performed by a duly licensed chiropractor acting within the scope of the chiropractor's practice  
11 as defined in G.S. 90-151 unless a comparable limitation is imposed on the medically necessary  
12 treatment if performed or authorized by any other duly licensed physician. An insurer shall not  
13 impose as a limitation on treatment or level of coverage a co-payment amount charged to the  
14 insured for chiropractic services that is higher than the co-payment amount charged to the  
15 insured for the services of a duly licensed primary care physician for a comparable medically  
16 necessary treatment or condition."  
17 SECTION 2. This act becomes effective January 1, 2014, and applies to insurance  
18 policies issued, renewed, or amended on or after that date.



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