

SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chairman of Committee

April 21, 2011
Date

Committee on Health and Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

SB11-205 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 24, after "carriers" insert "unreasonably".
- 2 Page 3, line 26, strike "practicing to the full extent of" and substitute
- 3 "practicing,".
- 4 Page 3, strike line 27.
- 5 Page 4, line 1, strike "by the Institute of Medicine,".
- 6 Page 4, strike lines 5 and 6 and substitute "this state that health insurance
- 7 carriers must give advanced practice nurses fair opportunity to apply for
- 8 participating provider status".
- 9 Page 4, line 7, strike "of practice".
- 10 Page 4, strike lines 10 and 11 and substitute:
11 "(a) Required to evaluate an application for participating provider
12 status submitted by an advanced practice nurse using objective and
13 reasonable criteria;".
- 14 Page 4, after line 20 insert:
15 "(3) It is not the intention of the general assembly to limit the

1 ability of a carrier to make reasonable contracting decisions or require a
2 carrier to approve a certain number of a specific type of provider for
3 participation in the carrier's network."

4 Page 4, strike lines 25 and 26 and substitute "**and penalties.** (1) (a) In
5 counties of the state that are neither part of a metropolitan statistical area
6 nor a primary statistical area, a carrier".

7 Page 5, line 2, strike "OR DETERMINING:" and substitute "reimbursement".

8 Page 5, line 3, strike "(a) Reimbursement".

9 Page 5, line 4, strike "OR".

10 Page 5, line 5, strike "PARTICIPATING" and substitute "A CARRIER
11 OFFERING A HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN SHALL NOT DISCRIMINATE BETWEEN A
12 PHYSICIAN AND AN ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSE WHEN DETERMINING
13 PARTICIPATING".

14 Page 6, after line 13 insert:

15 "(5) THIS SECTION DOES NOT LIMIT THE ABILITY OF A CARRIER TO
16 MAKE REASONABLE CONTRACTING DECISIONS OR REQUIRE A CARRIER TO
17 APPROVE A CERTAIN NUMBER OF A SPECIFIC TYPE OF PROVIDER FOR
18 PARTICIPATION IN THE CARRIER'S NETWORK."

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