Sponsor(s): Representatives Campbell, Morris, Patterson, Smith, McMahan, Sheldon, Conway, Kessler, Hymes, Basich, Costa, Goldsmith and Hargrove

Brief Description: Providing for consumer choice of health care providers.

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Provides that, after January 1, 1997, health plan enrollees may choose a health care provider without referral from another provider or from a carrier employee or contract administrator.

Declares that enrollee point-of-service cost-sharing requirements shall be only to assure efficient and effective delivery of health care services.

Authorizes recommendations to the secretary of health for adoption of rules providing for standards of patient care with respect to the terms and conditions of a contract or agreement between a licensee and a payer of health care services.

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