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**SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 1263**

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**By** House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Angel, Van De Wege, Cody, Tharinger, Ryu, and Fey)

READ FIRST TIME 02/12/13.

1            AN ACT Relating to reducing the financial loss to emergency medical  
2 care and transportation services by ensuring direct payment for  
3 emergency transportation services; and amending RCW 48.44.026.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5            **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.44.026 and 1999 c 130 s 1 are each amended to read  
6 as follows:

7            Checks in payment for claims pursuant to any health care service  
8 contract for health care services provided by persons licensed or  
9 regulated under chapter((~~s~~)) 18.25, 18.29, 18.30, 18.32, 18.53, 18.57,  
10 18.64, 18.71, 18.73, 18.74, 18.83, or 18.79 RCW, as it applies to  
11 registered nurses and advanced registered nurse practitioners, where  
12 the provider is not a participating provider under a contract with the  
13 health care service contractor, shall be made out to both the provider  
14 and the enrolled participant with the provider as the first named  
15 payee, jointly, to require endorsement by each((~~:+~~—PROVIDED, That)).  
16 Payment shall be made in the single name of the enrolled participant if  
17 the enrolled participant as part of his or her claim furnishes clear  
18 and convincing evidence ((~~of prepayment~~)) that payment has been made to

1 the health care service provider(~~(:—AND PROVIDED FURTHER,—That)~~).  
2 Nothing in this section shall preclude a health care service contractor  
3 from voluntarily issuing payment in the single name of the provider.

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