

ESSB 5441 - H AMD TO HCW COMM AMD (H-2482.1/15) **434**

By Representative Harris

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1 On page 1, beginning on line 15 of the striking amendment, after
2 "(b)" strike all material through "dispensed" on line 29 and insert
3 "The health benefit plan shall adjust the enrollee cost-sharing for a
4 prescription drug subject to coinsurance that is dispensed for less
5 than the standard refill amount for the purpose of synchronizing the
6 medications.

7 (c) The health benefit plan shall adjust the enrollee cost-sharing
8 for a prescription drug with a copayment that is dispensed for less
9 than the standard refill amount for the purpose of synchronizing the
10 medications by:

11 (i) Discounting the copayment rate by fifty percent;

12 (ii) Discounting the copayment rate based on fifteen-day
13 increments; or

14 (iii) Any other method that meets the intent of this section and
15 is approved by the office of the insurance commissioner"

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17 On page 2, beginning on line 8 of the striking amendment, after
18 "(a)" strike all material through "(b)" on line 13

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20 Renumber the remaining subsection consecutively and correct any
21 internal references accordingly.

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23 On page 2, beginning on line 32 of the striking amendment, after
24 "(b)" strike all material through "dispensed" on page 3, line 7 and
25 insert "The health benefit plan shall adjust the enrollee cost-sharing
26 for a prescription drug subject to coinsurance that is dispensed for
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1 less than the standard refill amount for the purpose of synchronizing
2 the medications.

3 (c) The health benefit plan shall adjust the enrollee cost-sharing
4 for a prescription drug with a copayment that is dispensed for less
5 than the standard refill amount for the purpose of synchronizing the
6 medications by:

7 (i) Discounting the copayment rate by fifty percent;

8 (ii) Discounting the copayment rate based on fifteen-day
9 increments; or

10 (iii) Any other method that meets the intent of this section and
11 is approved by the office of the insurance commissioner"

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13 On page 3, beginning on line 20 of the striking amendment, after
14 "(a)" strike all material through "(b)" on line 25

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16 Renumber the remaining subsection consecutively and correct any
17 internal references accordingly.

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EFFECT: Removes the provisions of the striking amendment
related to cost-sharing.

Requires health benefit plans (including plans offered to public
employees) to adjust cost-sharing for a drug subject to coinsurance
or with a copayment that is dispensed for less than the standard
refill amount for the purpose of synchronizing the medications.
Permits health benefit plans to meet the adjusted copayment
requirement by: (1) discounting the copayment rate by 50 percent;
(2) discounting the copayment rate based on 15-day increments; or
(3) any other method that meets the intent of the law and that is
approved by the Office of the Insurance Commissioner.

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