
SENATE BILL 6037

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1 AN ACT Relating to health care insurance claims; adding a new
2 section to chapter 48.02 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.20
3 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.21 RCW; adding a new section to
4 chapter 48.44 RCW; adding a new section to chapter 48.46 RCW; adding a
5 new section to chapter 48.84 RCW; and creating a new section.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.02 RCW
8 to read as follows:

9 The commissioner, in consultation with the administrator of the
10 health care authority, shall develop a uniform health care insurance
11 claim form system in both paper and electronic formats to be used by
12 all carriers licensed under chapters 48.20, 48.44, 48.46, and 48.84
13 RCW. The commissioner may establish an advisory committee to assist in
14 implementing the uniform claim form system, which shall be in place by

1 January 1, 1993. The commissioner shall make the system available to
2 carriers after January 1, 1993, for optional use until January 1, 1994,
3 when the system shall be made mandatory for all carriers.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 48.20 RCW
5 to read as follows:

6 After January 1, 1994, the uniform health care insurance claim form
7 developed by the commissioner under section 1 of this act shall be
8 accepted for all disability insurance policies that provide coverage
9 for hospital or medical expenses.

10 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** A new section is added to chapter 48.21 RCW
11 to read as follows:

12 After January 1, 1994, the uniform health care insurance claim form
13 developed by the commissioner under section 1 of this act shall be
14 accepted for all group disability insurance policies that provide
15 coverage for hospital or medical expenses.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4.** A new section is added to chapter 48.44 RCW
17 to read as follows:

18 After January 1, 1994, the uniform health care insurance claim form
19 developed by the commissioner under section 1 of this act shall be
20 accepted for all health care insurance contracts that provide coverage
21 for hospital or medical expenses.

22 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5.** A new section is added to chapter 48.46 RCW
23 to read as follows:

24 After January 1, 1994, the uniform health care insurance claim form
25 developed by the commissioner under section 1 of this act shall be

1 accepted for all health maintenance agreements that provide coverage
2 for hospital or medical expenses.

3 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** A new section is added to chapter 48.84 RCW
4 to read as follows:

5 After January 1, 1994, the uniform health care insurance claim form
6 developed by the commissioner under section 1 of this act shall be
7 accepted for all long-term care insurance policies and benefit
8 contracts that provide coverage for hospital or medical expenses.

9 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** After January 1, 1994, the uniform
10 health care insurance claim form developed by the commissioner under
11 section 1 of this act shall be used by all health plans whether or not
12 the plans are subject to the provisions of Title 48 RCW. This includes
13 state paid health care services provided through the basic health plan,
14 the health care authority, the department of social and health
15 services, and the department of labor and industries. The commissioner
16 shall aggressively pursue such federal regulatory changes as may be
17 required to assure compliance with this section.