
SUBSTITUTE SENATE BILL 6192

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By Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Deccio and Winsley)

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1 AN ACT Relating to notice of privacy policies for insurance; and
2 amending RCW 48.43.505.

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

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 48.43.505 and 2000 c 5 s 5 are each amended to read as
5 follows:

6 (1) Health carriers and insurers shall adopt policies and
7 procedures that conform administrative, business, and operational
8 practices to protect an enrollee's right to privacy or right to
9 confidential health care services granted under state or federal laws.

10 (2) The commissioner may adopt rules to implement this section
11 after considering relevant standards adopted by national managed care
12 accreditation organizations and the national association of insurance
13 commissioners, and after considering the effect of those standards on
14 the ability of carriers to undertake enrollee care management and
15 disease management programs.

16 (3) Rules adopted by the commissioner may require that a carrier
17 provide notice of its privacy policies and practices to each subscriber

1 only upon enrollment or within sixty days of any material change to the
2 policy, and to any enrollee only upon request of the enrollee.

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