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By Representative Harris

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1 AN ACT Relating to clinical review criteria used by insurers or
2 utilization review entities; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The clinical review criteria used by an insurer or a utilization
8 review entity acting on its behalf shall: (1) Adhere to the federal
9 food and drug administration prescription drug labeling; and (2) not
10 require failure on the same American hospital formulary service
11 medication class on more than one occasion for patients continuously
12 enrolled in any plan offered by said insurer. Nothing in this section
13 may be construed to prevent health care providers from prescribing a
14 medication for an off-label use or from prescribing a medication on
15 more than one occasion when they determine it is medically appropriate.

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