

**SB 5821** - H AMD 1123

By Representative Caldier

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1 On page 14, after line 34, insert the following:

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3 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 4. A new section is added to chapter 48.43 RCW  
4 to read as follows:

5 (1) On January 31 of each year, a health carrier shall report to  
6 the commissioner on:

7 (a) The number and types of non-behavioral health services  
8 provided through audio-only telemedicine for which the health carrier  
9 reimbursed providers in the previous calendar year; and

10 (b) Whether the health carrier reimbursed a provider for duplicate  
11 in-person services provided to the same patient.

12 (2) By March 31 of each year, the commissioner shall aggregate the  
13 information received under subsection (1) of this section and submit a  
14 report to the appropriate standing committees of the legislature."

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16 Correct the title.

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EFFECT: Requires a health carrier to submit an annual report to the Insurance Commissioner on (1) the number and types of non-behavioral health services provided through audio-only telemedicine for which the health carrier reimbursed providers in the previous calendar year and (2) whether the health carrier reimbursed a provider for duplicate in-person services provided to the same patient. Requires the Insurance Commissioner to aggregate the reports submitted by health carriers and provide an annual report to the Legislature.

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