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Amendment Form

Subtitle of House Bill No. 1926

TO INCREASE THE INSURANCE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR CERTIFIED NURSE PRACTITIONERS.

Amendment No. 1 to House Bill No. 1926

Amend House Bill No. 1926 as originally introduced:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and substitute the following:

"SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 23, Chapter 63, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

23-63-116. Certified nurse practitioner reimbursement.

(a) A certified nurse practitioner shall be paid or reimbursed by a health benefit plan to the same extent as a physician for performing a healthcare service.

(b) The Arkansas Medicaid Program and all health benefit plans issued and renewed in this state shall reimburse a certified nurse practitioner at one hundred percent (100%) of the physician reimbursement rate for all out-of-pocket costs, including without limitation laboratory tests, X rays, and any test ordered and performed.

(c)(1) As used in this section, "health benefit plan" means an individual, blanket, or group plan, policy, or contract for healthcare services issued or delivered by a healthcare insurer in this state.

(2) As used in this section, "health benefit plan" includes:

(A) Indemnity and managed care plans; and

(B) Governmental plans as defined in 29 U.S.C. § 1002(32), as it existed on January 1, 2015."



The Amendment was read _____

By: Representative Hammer

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