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Amendment Form

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 133

TO ENCOURAGE THE USE OF TELEMEDICINE; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY.

Amendment No. 2 to Senate Bill No. 133

Amend Senate Bill No. 133 as engrossed, S3/3/15 (version: 03/03/2015 10:08:32 AM):

Page 2, delete lines 22 and 23 and substitute the following:

"(3) "Originating site" means:

(A) The offices of a healthcare professional or a licensed healthcare entity where the patient is located at the time services are provided by a healthcare professional through telemedicine; and

(B) The home of a patient in connection with treatment for end-stage renal disease;"

AND

Page 3, line 18, delete "consultation, treatment, education, care management," and substitute "consultation, or treatment"

AND

Page 3, line 19, delete "or self-management"

AND

Page 5, line 10, delete "Governmental plans" and substitute "Non-federal governmental plans"

AND

Page 5, delete lines 30 and 31 and substitute the following:

"(4) "Originating site" means:

(A) The offices of a healthcare professional or a licensed healthcare entity where the patient is located at the time services are provided by a healthcare professional through telemedicine; and

(B) The home of a patient in connection with treatment for end-stage renal disease; and"

AND



Page 5, line 36, delete "consultation, treatment, education, care management," and substitute "consultation, or treatment"

AND

Page 6, line 1, delete "or self-management"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 12 through 22 and substitute the following:

"(b) A healthcare service provided through telemedicine shall comply with the requirements of § 17-80-117.

(c)(1) A health benefit plan shall cover the services of a physician who is licensed by the Arkansas State Medical Board for healthcare services through telemedicine on the same basis as the health benefit plan provides coverage for the same healthcare services provided by the physician in person.

(2) Subject to subdivision (d)(1) of this section, a health benefit plan shall reimburse a physician licensed by the board for healthcare services provided through telemedicine on the same basis as the health benefit plan reimburses a physician for the same healthcare services provided in person."

AND

Page 6, line 23, delete "(e)(1)" and substitute "(d)(1)"

AND

Page 6, delete lines 32 and 33 and substitute the following:

"(i) A health benefit plan from reimbursing other healthcare professionals; or"

AND

Page 6, line 35, delete "in additional" and substitute "in addition"

AND

Page 7, line 4, delete "(f)" and substitute "(e)"

AND

Page 7, line 16, delete "(g)" and substitute "(f)"

AND

Page 7, line 33, delete "(h)(1)" and substitute "(g)(1)"

The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____

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