## ARKANSAS SENATE

90th General Assembly - Regular Session, 2015

## **Amendment Form**

Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 542 TO MODIFY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF A PHARMACY BENEFITS MANAGER AND PATIENT RIGHTS REGARDING PAYMENT FOR PHARMACISTS' SERVICES.

## Amendment No. 1 to Senate Bill No. 542

Amend Senate Bill No. 542 as originally introduced:

Page 1, delete lines 23 through 35, and substitute the following: "SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 4, Chapter 88, is amended to add an additional subchapter to read as follows:

Subchapter 9 - Patient Rights Regarding Payment for Pharmacists' Services Act

4-88-901. Title.

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited as the "Patient Rights Regarding Payment for Pharmacists' Services Act".

4-88-902. Definitions.

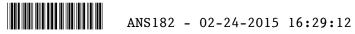
As used in this subchapter:

- (1) "Copayment means a financial payment or contribution required from an individual to receive pharmacist services, including a deductible or copayment, under a pharmacy benefits plan or program;
- (2) "Pharmacy benefits manager" means an entity that administers or manages a pharmacy benefits plan or program;
- (3) "Pharmacy benefits plan or program" means any plan or program that pays for, reimburses, covers the cost of, or otherwise provides for pharmacist services to individuals who reside or are employed in this state;
  - (4) "Pharmacist" means a licensed pharmacist as defined in § 17-
- (5) "Pharmacist services" means products, goods, or services provided as a part of the practice of pharmacy as defined in § 17-92-101;
  - (6) "Provider choice" means an individual's choice of provider"

AND

92-101;

Page 2, delete lines 3 through 5, and substitute the following: "4-88-903. Explanation of benefits."



Page 2, line 26, delete "4-88-806." and substitute "4-88-904."

AND

Page 2, line 35, delete "4-88-807." and substitute "4-88-905."

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

By: Senator Rapert

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