Bill No. CS for SB 2280

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.1	Senator Campbell moved the following amendment:
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.3	Senate Amendment
4	On page 17, line 20 through
.5	page 19, line 11, delete those lines
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.7	and insert:
.8	2. The <u>department</u> division shall contract with health
.9	maintenance organizations seeking to participate in the state
20	group insurance program through a request for proposal <u>or</u>
21	other procurement process, as developed by the Department of
22	Management Services and determined to be appropriate. based
23	upon a premium and a minimum benefit package as follows:
24	a. The department shall establish a schedule of
25	minimum benefits for health maintenance organization coverage,
26	and that schedule A minimum benefit package to be provided by
27	a participating HMO shall include: physician services;
28	inpatient and outpatient hospital services; emergency medical
29	services, including out-of-area emergency coverage; diagnostic
30	laboratory and diagnostic and therapeutic radiologic services;
31	mental health, alcohol, and chemical dependency treatment

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services meeting the minimum requirements of state and federal law; skilled nursing facilities and services; prescription drugs; and other benefits as may be required by the <u>department</u> division. Additional services may be provided subject to the contract between the department division and the HMO.

- The department may establish a uniform schedule for deductibles, and copayments, or coinsurance schedules may be established for all participating HMO plans HMOs.
- The department may require detailed information from each health maintenance organization participating in the procurement process, including information pertaining to organizational status, experience in providing pre-paid health benefits, accessibility of services, financial stability of the plan, quality of management services, accreditation status, quality of medical services, network access and adequacy, performance measurement, ability to meet the department's reporting requirements, and the actuarial basis of the proposed rates and other data determined by the director to be necessary for the evaluation and selection of health maintenance organization plans and negotiation of appropriate rates for these plans. Upon receipt of proposals by health maintenance organization plans and the evaluation of those proposals, the department may enter into negotiations with all of the plans or a subset of the plans, as the department determines appropriate. Based upon the minimum benefit package and copayments and deductibles contained in sub-subparagraphs a. and b., the division shall issue a request for proposal for all HMOs which are interested in participating in the state group insurance program. Upon receipt of all proposals, the division may, as it deems 31 | appropriate, enter into contract negotiations with HMOs

2 3 4 submitting bids. As part of the request for proposal process, the division may require detailed financial data from each HMO which participates in the bidding process for the purpose of determining the financial stability of the HMO.

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In determining which HMOs to contract with, the division shall, at a minimum, consider: each proposed contractor's previous experience and expertise in providing prepaid health benefits; each proposed contractor's historical experience in enrolling and providing health care services to participants in the state group insurance program; the cost of the premiums; the plan's ability to adequately provide service coverage and administrative support services as determined by the division; plan benefits in addition to the minimum benefit package; accessibility to providers; and the financial solvency of the plan. Nothing shall preclude the department division from negotiating regional or statewide contracts with health maintenance organization plans when this is cost-effective and when the department division determines that the plan offers high value to enrollees has the best overall benefit package for the service areas involved. However, no HMO shall be eligible for a contract if the HMO's retiree Medicare premium exceeds the retiree rate as set by the division for the state group health insurance plan.

e. The <u>department</u> <u>division</u> may limit the number of HMOs that it contracts with in each service area based on the nature of the bids the <u>department</u> <u>division</u> receives, the number of state employees in the service area, <u>or</u> and any unique geographical characteristics of the service area. The <u>department</u> <u>division</u> shall establish by rule service areas throughout the state.