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Amendment No. ____ (for drafter's use only)

	<u>Senate</u>	CHAMBER ACTION	<u>House</u>
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ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW

Representative(s) Wasserman Schultz offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 86, between lines 2 and 3 of the bill

insert:

Section 48. Present subsections (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), and (10) of section 641.51, Florida Statutes, are redesignated as subsections (5), (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), and (11), respectively, and a new subsection (4) is added to that section to read:

641.51 Quality assurance program; second medical opinion requirement.--

(4) A health maintenance organization must ensure that only a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, Florida Statutes, may make the final decision on an adverse determination regarding a service provided by a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459, Florida Statutes. The physician making the final decision shall be required to submit, in writing, to the provider and the subscriber, the facts and documentation regarding the health maintenance

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1 organization's adverse determination within 2 working days
 2 after the subscriber or provider is made aware of the adverse
 3 determination. Such physician shall also be required to sign
 4 the adverse determination. The health maintenance
 5 organization must include, with the notification of an adverse
 6 determination, information explaining the appeals process for
 7 adverse determinations.

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11 And the title is amended as follows:

12 On page 6, line 18,

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14 after the semicolon insert:

15 amending s. 641.51, F.S., relating to quality
 16 assurance program requirements for certain
 17 managed care organizations; restricting the
 18 rendering of adverse determinations to certain
 19 physicians regarding certain services;
 20 requiring the submission of facts and
 21 documentation pertaining to rendered adverse
 22 determinations; providing a timeframe for
 23 organizations to submit facts and documentation
 24 providers and subscribers, in writing, of
 25 adverse determinations; requiring physicians
 26 who render adverse determinations to sign the
 27 facts and documentation statement; requiring
 28 the organization to include information
 29 regarding the appeal processing;

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