

Amendment No. 1 (for drafter's use only)

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The Committee on Health Promotion offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause
and insert in lieu thereof:

Section 1. Section 627.6474, Florida Statutes, is
created to read:

627.6474 Provider contracts.--A health insurer shall
not require a contracted health care practitioner as defined
in s. 456.001(4) to accept the terms of other health care
practitioner contracts with the insurer, including Medicare
and Medicaid practitioner contracts and those authorized by s.
627.6471, 627.6472, or 641.315, except for a practitioner in a
group practice as defined in s. 456.053 who must accept the
terms of a contract negotiated for the practitioner by the
group, as a condition of continuation or renewal of the
contract. Any contract provision that violates this section is
void. A violation of this section is not subject to the
criminal penalty specified in s. 624.15.

Section 2. Subsection (11) is added to section

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1 627.662, Florida Statutes, to read:

2 627.662 Other provisions applicable.--The following
3 provisions apply to group health insurance, blanket health
4 insurance, and franchise health insurance:

5 (11) Section 627.6474, relating to provider contracts.

6 Section 3. Subsection (10) is added to section
7 641.315, Florida Statutes, to read:

8 641.315 Provider contracts.--

9 (10) A health maintenance organization shall not
10 require a contracted health care practitioner as defined in
11 s. 456.001(4) to accept the terms of other health care
12 practitioner contracts with the health maintenance
13 organization, including Medicare and Medicaid practitioner
14 contracts and those authorized by s. 627.6471, 627.6472, or
15 641.315, except for a practitioner in a group practice as
16 defined in s. 456.053 who must accept the terms of a contract
17 negotiated for the practitioner by the group, as a condition
18 of continuation or renewal of the contract. Any contract
19 provision that violates this section is void. A violation of
20 this section is not subject to the criminal penalty specified
21 in s. 624.15.

22 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001,
23 and shall apply to contracts entered into or renewed on or
24 after that date.

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28 And the title is amended as follows:

29 remove from the title of the bill: the entire title

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31 and insert in lieu thereof:

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1 An act relating to health insurers and health
2 maintenance organizations; creating s.
3 627.6474, F.S.; prohibiting health insurers
4 from requiring certain contracted health care
5 practitioners to accept the terms of other
6 health care contracts as a condition of
7 continuation or renewal; providing exceptions;
8 amending s. 627.662, F.S.; applying such
9 prohibition to group health insurance, blanket
10 health insurance, and franchise health
11 insurance; amending s. 641.315, F.S.; applying
12 such prohibition to health maintenance
13 organizations; providing an effective date.

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