

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Posey and Peadar

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1                                   A bill to be entitled  
2           An act relating to prescription drug claim  
3           identification cards; creating s. 627.4302,  
4           F.S.; providing intent; requiring certain  
5           entities to provide a benefits identification  
6           card by a date certain for specified purposes  
7           under certain circumstances; providing an  
8           exception; specifying required information;  
9           providing for temporary stickers for annual  
10          renewal cards; providing an effective date.

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12 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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14           Section 1. Section 627.4302, Florida Statutes, is  
15 created to read:

16           627.4302 Identification cards for processing  
17 prescription drug claims.--

18           (1) The purpose of this section is to improve patient  
19 care by minimizing confusion, eliminating unnecessary work,  
20 decreasing patient wait time, and improving business  
21 efficiencies.

22           (2) Any health insurer or health maintenance  
23 organization and all state and local government entities  
24 entering into an agreement to provide coverage for  
25 prescription drugs on an outpatient basis shall provide a  
26 benefits-identification card containing the following  
27 information:

28           (a) The name of the claim processor.

29           (b) The issuer identification number, also referred to  
30 as the Banking Identification Number or "BIN," assigned by the  
31 American National Standards Institute, unless instruction is

1 provided on the card for ready access to such number by  
2 electronic means.

3 (c) The insured's prescription group number.  
4 (d) The insured's identification number.  
5 (e) The insured's name.  
6 (f) The claims submission name and address.  
7 (g) The help desk telephone number.  
8 (h) Any other information that the entity finds will  
9 assist in the processing of the claim.

10 (3) The benefits-identification card must present the  
11 information in a manner readily identifiable or,  
12 alternatively, the information may be embedded in the card and  
13 available through magnetic stripe or smart card. The  
14 information may also be provided through other electronic  
15 technology.

16 (4) Any entity providing a  
17 health-benefits-identification card containing all of the  
18 information required by this section shall not be required to  
19 provide a separate identification card for prescription drug  
20 benefits.

21 (5) A benefits-identification card required under  
22 subsection (2) shall be issued no later than 60 days after any  
23 change in the information contained on the card becomes  
24 effective. If an entity subject to this section issues annual  
25 renewal cards, it may issue a temporary sticker containing the  
26 new information in lieu of issuing a new card prior to the  
27 annual renewal date. Such sticker must be designed so that it  
28 can be attached to the existing card.

29 Section 2. This act shall take effect October 1, 2002,  
30 and shall apply to policies or contracts issued or renewed on  
31 or after that date.

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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES CONTAINED IN  
COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR  
Senate Bill 1412

- The Committee Substitute provides the following changes:
1. Requires any health insurer, health maintenance organization and all state and local government entities, rather than any state funded or state mandated program, that provides outpatient prescription drug coverage to issue a prescription drug benefits identification card containing certain specified information; and
  2. Provides that this act would take effect October 1, 2002, and would apply to policies or contracts issued or renewed on or after that date.