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Representative Sobel offered the following:

Amendment (with title amendment)

Remove line(s) 2361-2394, and insert:

(18) "Subscriber" means an entity or individual who has contracted, or on whose behalf a contract has been entered into, with a health maintenance organization for health care coverage services or other persons who also receive health care coverage services as a result of the contract.

Section 43. Subsection (3) of section 641.51, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

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

(3) The health maintenance organization shall not have the right to control the professional judgment of a physician licensed under chapter 458, chapter 459, chapter 460, or chapter

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28 461 concerning the proper course of treatment of a subscriber
29 ~~shall not be subject to modification by the organization or its~~
30 ~~board of directors, officers, or administrators, unless the~~
31 ~~course of treatment prescribed is inconsistent with the~~
32 ~~prevailing standards of medical practice in the community.~~

33 However, this subsection shall not be considered to restrict a
34 utilization management program established by an organization or
35 to affect an organization's decision as to payment for covered
36 services.

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38 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

39 Remove line(s) 167-176, and insert:
40 s. 641.19, F.S.; revising certain definitions; amending s.
41 641.51, F.S.; proscribing a health maintenance organization's
42 right to control the professional judgment of a physician;
43 amending s.