

CHAMBER ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Bennett moved the following Senate amendment to House amendment (622583):

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between line(s) 882-883

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Section 15. (1) The Department of Health is directed to convene a workgroup of all insurers licensed under chapter 627, Florida Statutes, and all health maintenance organizations licensed under chapter 641, Florida Statutes, for the purpose of overseeing industry negotiations of a compact providing uniform minimum industry standards related to cancer clinical trials. The compact shall include:

(a) Coverage for patients undergoing cancer clinical trials for services that would have otherwise been covered by the health insurer or health maintenance organization absent the policyholder being involved in a clinical trial.

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- (b) Procedures for clear and specific notice to policyholders identifying the amount, scope, and conditions under which coverage will be provided to a policyholder for covered services incidental to cancer clinical trials.
- (c) Penalties for documented cases of the denial of claims for covered services provided incidental to cancer clinical trials.
- (2) Upon completion of industry negotiations, the department shall submit a report on the results of such negotiations to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Upon submission of the report, the workgroup shall dissolve.
- (3) "Covered services provided incidental to cancer clinical trials" means health care.

======= T I T L E A M E N D M E N T ========= And the title is amended as follows:

On line(s) 98, after the first semicolon insert:

> requiring the Department of Health to convene a workgroup of insurers and health maintenance organizations to oversee industry negotiations of a compact relating to insurance coverage and cancer clinical trials; requiring that the compact contain certain components; requiring a report of the results of such negotiations to the Governor and the Legislature upon completion of the negotiations; providing for dissolution of the workgroup; defining "covered services provided incidental to cancer clinical trials";