

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Bogdanoff moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 528 - 529

and insert:

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nursing services. Medical benefits for massage services as defined in s. 480.033 and acupuncture services as defined in s. 457.102 may be reimbursed under this section only if such services are rendered by a licensed massage therapist as defined in s. 480.033 or a licensed acupuncturist as defined in s. 457.102. Acupuncture services and massage services may be reimbursed only if the patient is referred by a physician licensed under chapter 458 or chapter 459 or a chiropractic physician licensed under chapter 460. Acupuncture therapy and



massage therapy are covered only if they are components of a treatment plan that is medically necessary and are not covered in the absence of treatment or other therapeutic modalities performed by the referring physician. Reimbursement for visits for services provided in this paragraph is limited to 24 visits or to the number of visits rendered within 24 weeks after the date of the initial treatment, whichever occurs first, unless the insurer authorizes additional visits for services.

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

Delete lines 45 - 47

26 and insert:

> 627.736, F.S.; providing a reimbursement cap on acupuncture services and massage services; requiring that an insurer