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A bill to be entitled

An act relating to workers' compensation; amending s.

440.13, F.S.; revising requirements for determining
the amount of a reimbursement for repackaged or
relabeled prescription medication; providing
limitations; providing an effective date.

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

- Section 1. Paragraph (c) of subsection (12) of section 440.13, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:
- 440.13 Medical services and supplies; penalty for violations; limitations.—
- (12) CREATION OF THREE-MEMBER PANEL; GUIDES OF MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCES.—
- (c) As to reimbursement for a prescription medication, regardless of the location from which or the provider from whom the claimant receives the prescription medication, the reimbursement amount for a prescription shall be the average wholesale price plus \$4.18 for the dispensing fee, unless except where the carrier has contracted for a lower amount. If the drug has been repackaged or relabeled, the reimbursement amount shall be calculated by multiplying the number of units dispensed times the per-unit average wholesale price set by the original manufacturer of the underlying drug, which may not be the manufacturer of the repackaged or relabeled drug, plus a \$4.18 dispensing fee, unless the carrier has contracted for a lower amount. The repackaged or relabeled drug price may not exceed

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the amount otherwise payable had the drug not been repackaged or relabeled. Fees for pharmaceuticals and pharmaceutical services shall be reimbursable at the applicable fee schedule amount. If where the employer or carrier has contracted for such services and the employee elects to obtain them through a provider not a party to the contract, the carrier shall reimburse at the schedule, negotiated, or contract price, whichever is lower. No Such contract may not shall rely on a provider that is not reasonably accessible to the employee.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2013.