

1 A bill to be entitled
 2 An act relating to reimbursement of Medicaid
 3 providers; amending s. 409.901, F.S.; defining the
 4 term "usual and customary charge" for purposes of
 5 Medicaid billing; providing applicability; providing
 6 an effective date.

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

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 10 Section 1. Subsection (29) is added to section 409.901,
 11 Florida Statutes, to read:

12 409.901 Definitions; ss. 409.901-409.920.—As used in ss.
 13 409.901-409.920, except as otherwise specifically provided, the
 14 term:

15 (29) "Usual and customary charge" means the amount
 16 routinely billed by a provider or supplier to an uninsured
 17 consumer for services or goods before application of any
 18 discount, rebate, or supplemental plan. The term does not
 19 include free or discounted charges for services or goods based
 20 upon a person's uninsured or indigent status or other financial
 21 hardship.

22 Section 2. The changes made by this act to s. 409.901,
 23 Florida Statutes, are intended to clarify existing law and are
 24 remedial in nature.

25 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016.