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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate

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House

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The Committee on Banking and Insurance (Flores) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete everything after the enacting clause  
and insert:

Section 1. Section 627.4303, Florida Statutes, is created  
to read:

627.4303 Price transparency in health care services.-

(1) As used in this section, the term "health insurer"  
means a health insurer issuing major medical coverage through an  
individual or group policy.



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11           (2) In its contract with a health care provider, a health  
12 insurer may not limit the health care provider's ability to  
13 disclose whether a patient's cost-sharing obligation exceeds the  
14 cash price for a covered service in the absence of health  
15 insurance coverage or the availability of a more affordable  
16 service.

17           (3) A health insurer may not require an insured to make a  
18 payment for a covered service in an amount that exceeds the cash  
19 price of the service in the absence of health insurance  
20 coverage.

21           Section 2. Paragraph (g) is added to subsection (5) of  
22 section 627.6699, Florida Statutes, to read:

23           627.6699 Employee Health Care Access Act.—

24           (5) AVAILABILITY OF COVERAGE.—

25           (g) A health benefit plan covering small employers must  
26 comply with s. 627.4303.

27           Section 3. Section 641.514, Florida Statutes, is created to  
28 read:

29           641.514 Price transparency in health care services.—

30           (1) This section applies to a health maintenance  
31 organization issuing major medical coverage through an  
32 individual or a group contract.

33           (2) In its contract with a health care provider, a health  
34 maintenance organization may not limit the health care  
35 provider's ability to disclose whether a patient's cost-sharing  
36 obligation exceeds the cash price for a covered service in the  
37 absence of coverage through the health maintenance organization  
38 or the availability of a more affordable service.

39           (3) A health maintenance organization may not require a



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40 subscriber to make a payment for a covered service in an amount  
41 that exceeds the cash price of the service in the absence of  
42 coverage through the health maintenance organization.

43 Section 4. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.

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

46 And the title is amended as follows:

47 Delete everything before the enacting clause  
48 and insert:

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A bill to be entitled

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An act relating to health care services pricing;  
51 creating s. 627.4303, F.S.; defining the term "health  
52 insurer"; prohibiting health insurers, in their  
53 contracts with health care providers, from limiting  
54 the provider's ability to disclose certain information  
55 to patients; prohibiting a health insurer from  
56 requiring an insured to make a payment for a covered  
57 service in an amount that exceeds a certain price;  
58 amending s. 627.6699, F.S.; requiring health benefit  
59 plans covering small employers to comply with such  
60 restrictions; creating s. 641.514, F.S.; providing  
61 applicability; prohibiting health maintenance  
62 organizations, in their contracts with health care  
63 providers, from limiting the provider's ability to  
64 disclose certain information to patients; prohibiting  
65 a health maintenance organization from requiring a  
66 subscriber to make a payment for a covered service in  
67 an amount that exceeds a certain price; providing an  
68 effective date.