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COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ACTION

ADOPTED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED AS AMENDED	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
ADOPTED W/O OBJECTION	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
FAILED TO ADOPT	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
WITHDRAWN	<u> </u>	(Y/N)
OTHER	<u> </u>	

1 Committee/Subcommittee hearing bill: Insurance & Banking
2 Subcommittee

3 Representative Yeager offered the following:

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6 Remove lines 20-36 and insert:

7 (3)(a) Notwithstanding paragraph 440.13(2)(c), a firefighter,
8 law enforcement officer, correctional officer, or
9 correctional probation officer requiring medical treatment for a
10 compensable presumptive condition listed in subsection (1) may
11 be treated by a medical specialist. Except in emergency
12 situations, a firefighter, law enforcement officer, correctional
13 officer, or correctional probation officer entitled to access a
14 medical specialist under this subsection must provide written
15 notice of his or her selection of a medical specialist to the
16 firefighter's or officer's workers compensation carrier, self-

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17 insured employer, or third-party administrator, and the carrier,
18 self- insured employer, or third-party administrator must
19 authorize the selected specialist or authorize an alternative
20 specialist meeting the same or greater qualifications. The
21 carrier, self-insured employer or third-party must, within 5
22 business days of the receipt of the notice, authorize treatment
23 and schedule an appointment to be held within 30 days of the
24 receipt of the notice with the selected specialist or the
25 alternative specialist. If the carrier, self-insured employer or
26 third-party administrator fails to provide an alternative
27 specialist within the 5 business days of receipt of the notice,
28 the specialist selected by the employee shall be authorized. The
29 continuing care and treatment by a medical specialist must be
30 reasonable, necessary, and related to tuberculosis, heart
31 disease, or hypertension, be reimbursed at no more than 200
32 percent of the Medicare rate and be authorized by the
33 firefighter's or officer's workers compensation carrier, self-
34 insured employer, or third-party administrator.

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