

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1048

LCO No. **3660**

Referred to Committee on INSURANCE AND REAL ESTATE

Introduced by: (INS)

AN ACT CONCERNING REIMBURSEMENTS FOR CERTAIN COVERED HEALTH BENEFITS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2022*) (a) Each insurer, health care center, hospital service corporation, medical service corporation, preferred provider network or other entity that enters into, renews or amends a contract with a health care provider on or after July 1, 2022, to provide covered benefits to insureds or enrollees in this state shall include in such contract:

7 (1) A provision requiring such insurer, health care center, hospital
8 service corporation, medical service corporation, preferred provider
9 network or other entity to:

10 (A) Reimburse the contracting health care provider for a covered 11 outpatient benefit that uses a current procedural terminology 12 evaluation and management (CPT E/M) code, current procedural 13 terminology assessment and management (CPT A/M) code or drug 14 infusion code in an amount that does not vary based on the facility 15 where the contracting health care provider provides such benefit; and

16 (B) Use equal reimbursement rates for all contracting health care 17 providers in the same geographic region, as determined by the 18 Insurance Commissioner and regardless of the employer or affiliation of 19 any contracting health care provider, for each covered outpatient benefit 20 described in subparagraph (A) of this subdivision if the reimbursement 21 for such covered outpatient benefit is made on a fee-for-benefit basis or 22 on the basis of bundled benefits per diagnosis, condition, procedure or 23 another standardized bundle of health care benefits; and

- 24 (2) A conspicuous statement that such contract complies with the25 provisions of subdivision (1) of this subsection.
- (b) The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt regulations, in
 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to
 implement the provisions of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require certain health insurers, preferred provider networks and other entities to include certain provisions in contracts with health care providers regarding reimbursement for certain covered health benefits.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]