

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

HOUSE BILL NO. 1415

100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HELMS.

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DANA RADEMAN MILLER, Chief Clerk

AN ACT

To amend chapter 191, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to health care costs.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 191, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 191.876, to read as follows:

- 191.876. 1. Any for-profit health care provider that does not provide a good faith estimate of the cost of a particular health care service or procedure, regardless of whether such estimate is requested by the patient, and that does not obtain consent to such cost from an uninsured or self-pay patient prior to performing any nonemergency health care procedure or service that costs more than five hundred dollars per billing provider or more than one thousand dollars for the total health care procedure or service shall not charge an uninsured or self-pay patient more than the allowable Medicare amount.**
- 2. Any for-profit health care provider that does not provide a good faith estimate of the cost of a particular health care service or procedure, regardless of whether such estimate is requested by the patient, and that does not obtain consent to such cost from an insured patient prior to performing any nonemergency health care procedure or service that is outside of the patient's insurance network shall not charge an insured patient more than the allowable Medicare amount.**
- 3. Any nonprofit health care provider that does not provide a good faith estimate of the cost of a particular health care service or procedure, regardless of whether such estimate is requested by the patient, and that does not obtain consent to such cost from an insured patient prior to performing any nonemergency health care procedure or service**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.

18 that is outside of the patient's insurance network shall not charge an insured patient more
19 than the allowable MO HealthNet amount.

20 4. A nonprofit health care provider shall not charge an uninsured or self-pay
21 patient more than the allowable MO HealthNet amount.

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