

**Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1183
(Representatives Keiser, N. Johnson, Gruchalla)
(Senators Flakoll, Wardner, Warner)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-47 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to preferred provider arrangements with dental service providers; and to provide for application.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 26.1-47 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Fees for dental services - Prohibition.

1. As used in this section, "covered services" means dental care services for which a reimbursement is available under an enrollee's plan or for which a reimbursement would be available but for the application of a deductible, copayment, coinsurance, waiting period, annual or lifetime maximum, or frequency limitation.
2. Except for fees for covered services, a preferred provider arrangement for a dental plan may not directly or indirectly set or otherwise regulate the fees charged by the preferred provider for dental care services.

SECTION 2. APPLICATION. Section 1 of this Act applies to all preferred provider arrangements issued on or after the effective date of this Act.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1183.

House Vote: Yeas 55 Nays 37 Absent 2

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 0 Absent 3

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2011.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2011.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2011,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State