

1 ENGROSSED SENATE
2 BILL NO. 172

By: Loveless of the Senate

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4 Newell of the House

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6 [state government - Oklahoma Employees Insurance and
7 Benefits Act - codification - effective date]
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9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

10 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 1321, as
11 amended by Section 966, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp.
12 2014, Section 1321), is amended to read as follows:

13 Section 1321. A. The Office of Management and Enterprise
14 Services shall have the authority to determine all rates and life,
15 dental and health benefits. All rates shall be compiled in a
16 comprehensive Schedule of Benefits. The Schedule of Benefits shall
17 be available for inspection during regular business hours at the
18 Office of Management and Enterprise Services. The Office shall have
19 the authority to annually adjust the rates and benefits based on
20 claim experience.

21 B. The premiums for such insurance plans offered for the next
22 plan year shall be established as follows:

23 1. For active employees and their dependents, the Office's
24 premium determination shall be made no later than the bid submission

1 date for health maintenance organizations set by the Oklahoma State
2 Employees Benefits Council, which shall be set in August no later
3 than the third Friday of that month; and

4 2. For all other covered members and dependents, the Office's
5 and the health maintenance organizations' premium determinations
6 shall be no later than the fourth Friday of September.

7 C. The Office may approve a mid-year adjustment provided the
8 need for an adjustment is substantiated by an actuarial
9 determination or more current experience rating. The only
10 publication or notice requirements that shall apply to the Schedule
11 of Benefits shall be those requirements provided in the Oklahoma
12 Open Meeting Act. It is the intent of the Legislature that the
13 benefits provided not include cosmetic dental procedures except for
14 certain orthodontic procedures as adopted by the Director.

15 D. In establishing health plan rates and benefits, the Office
16 of Management and Enterprise Services shall propose a plan design
17 which substantively incentivizes participants to purchase health
18 services from providers which post transparent pricing through web-
19 based technology platforms and to provide documentation regarding
20 the purchase of such services from the most affordable provider.

21 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1324.1 of Title 74, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

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1 In no case shall the reimbursement to a participating health
2 care provider exceed the amount of the service for which the
3 reimbursement is requested, provided the cost of the service may be
4 reasonably ascertained from a web-based transparent pricing rate
5 sheet which appears on the provider's website.

6 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

7 Passed the Senate the 3rd day of March, 2015.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

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11 Passed the House of Representatives the ____ day of _____,
12 2015.

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