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| 2 | 1st Session of the 58th Legislature (2021) |
| 3 | SENATE BILL 250 By: Pemberton |
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| 6 | AS INTRODUCED |
| 7 | An Act relating to insurance; amending 36 O.S. 2011, |
| 8 | Section 1219.5, which relates to modification of existing coverage; prohibiting certain changes to policy benefits; providing certain exception; and |
| 9 | providing an effective date. |
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| 12 | BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA: |
| 13 | SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 36 O.S. 2011, Section 1219.5, is |
| 14 | amended to read as follows: |
| 15 | Section 1219.5. A. No insurer shall modify a group or |
| 16 | individual policy of existing coverage for accident and health |
| 17 | including but not limited to the removal of the medical provider of |
| 18 | an insured from their network at any time while the policy is in |
| 19 | force, except as provided in subsection B of this section, or issue |
| 20 | new coverage under an accident and health insurance policy unless |
| 21 | written consent for such modification or issuance is obtained from |
| 22 | the policyholder. However, this |
| 23 | B. An insurer may remove the medical provider of an insured |
| 24 | from the network contract of the insurer in the case of medical |

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| 1 | malpractice, billing and collection violations determined by the |
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| 2 | provider agreement or a violation of ethical standards as set forth |
| 3 | by the State Department of Health. |
| 4 | C. This section shall not be construed as prohibiting a |
| 5 | modification that is provided for in an existing policy that has |
| 6 | been filed and approved by the Insurance Commissioner. |
| 7 | SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2021. |
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