THE SENATE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

S.B. NO. ²¹²⁶ S.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DENTAL SERVICES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

SECTION 1. Chapter 431, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended by adding a new section to part I of article 10A to be
 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

4 "<u>\$431:10A-</u> <u>Contracts with providers for dental services.</u>
5 No contract between an accident and health or sickness insurer
6 and a dentist for the provision of services to patients may
7 require that a dentist provide services to subscribers at a fee
8 set by the accident and health or sickness insurer unless the
9 services are covered services under the applicable subscriber
10 agreement.

11 "Covered services" means services reimbursable under the 12 applicable subscriber agreement, subject to such contractual 13 limitations on subscriber benefits as may apply, including 14 deductibles, waiting periods, or frequency limitations." 15 SECTION 2. Chapter 432, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 16 amended by adding a new section to part VI of article 1 to be 17 appropriately designated and to read as follows:



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1	"\$432:1-	Contracts with	providers for	dental services.
2	No contract betw	een a mutual ber	nefit society a	nd a dentist for
3	the provision of services to patients may require that a dentist			
4	provide services to subscribers at a fee set by the mutual			
5	benefit society unless the services are covered services under			
6	the applicable subscriber agreement.			
7	"Covered services" means services reimbursable under the			
8	applicable subscriber agreement, subject to such contractual			
9	limitations on subscriber benefits as may apply, including			
10	deductibles, waiting periods, or frequency limitations."			
11	SECTION 3. Chapter 432D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is			
12	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated			
13	and to read as follows:			
14	"§432D- Contracts with providers for dental services.			
15	No contract betwe	een a health mai	ntenance organ	ization and a
16	dentist for the	provision of ser	rvices to patie	nts may require
17	that a dentist provide services to subscribers at a fee set by			
18	the health maintenance organization unless the services are			
19	covered services under the applicable subscriber agreement.			
20	"Covered services" means services reimbursable under the			
21	applicable subscriber agreement, subject to such contractual			



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1	limitations on subscriber benefits as may apply, including				
2	deductibles, waiting periods, or frequency limitations."				
3	SECTION 4. Chapter 448D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is				
4	amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated				
5	and to read as follows:				
6	"§448D- Contracts with providers for dental services.				
7	No contract between a dental service organization and a dentist				
8	for the provision of services to patients may require that a				
9	dentist provide services to subscribers at a fee set by the				
10	dental service organization unless the services are covered				
11	services under the applicable subscriber agreement.				
12	"Covered services" means services reimbursable under the				
13	applicable subscriber agreement, subject to such contractual				
14	limitations on subscriber benefits as may apply, including				
15	deductibles, waiting periods, or frequency limitations."				
16	SECTION 5. This Act does not affect rights and duties that				
17	matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were				
18	begun before its effective date.				
19	SECTION 6. New statutory material is underscored.				
20	SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.				
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Report Title:

Dental Services; Contracts

Description:

Prohibits an accident and health or sickness insurer, mutual benefit society, health maintenance organization, or dental service organization from requiring a dentist who provides services to its subscribers to accept a fee set by the accident and health or sickness insurer, mutual benefit society, health maintenance organization, or dental service organization unless the services are covered under the applicable subscriber agreement. Effective 7/1/50. (SD1)

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