THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2015

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

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MEASURES DEFERRED TO WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2016

DATE: Wednesday, February 17, 2016

TIME: 10:35 AM

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

SB2098

RELATING TO HEALTH.

CPH/JDL, WAM

Status and Testimony

Clarifies that medical health professionals who are employed by the State receive a qualified immunity from personal liability when exercising their governmental discretion as employees of the State when acting in the course and scope of their state employment.

SB2668

Status and Testimony

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

CPH/JDL, WAM

Establishes a dispute resolution process by which a dispute for a bill for emergency services or a surprise bill may be resolved. Specifies disclosure requirements for health care professionals and health care facilities, including estimated costs for health care services and information on participating provider networks. Specifies that an insured shall not be liable to a health care provider for any sums owed by an insurer. Specifies that an insurer who receives emergency services from a nonparticipating provider shall not incur greater out-of-pocket costs for the emergency services than the insured would have incurred with a participating provider. Specifies additional disclosure requirements for health insurance plans, including payment methodologies and updated participating provider directories. Requires health insurance plans to provide at least one option for coverage for at least eighty per cent of the usual and customary cost of each out-of-network health care service in inadequate network situations.

No testimony will be accepted.

FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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