HOUSE AMENDMENT

Bill No. HB 235

Amendment No. 1a (for drafter's use only) CHAMBER ACTION Senate House 1 2 3 4 5 ORIGINAL STAMP BELOW 6 7 8 9 10 The Committee on Health Regulation offered the following: 11 12 13 Amendment (with title amendment) 14 Remove from the bill: Everything after the enacting clause 15 and insert in lieu thereof: 16 Section 1. Subsection (9) is added to section 627.419, 17 Florida Statutes, to read: 18 627.419 Construction of policies.--19 20 (9) With respect to any group or individual insurer covering dental services, each claimant, or dentist acting for 21 22 a claimant, who has had a claim denied as not medically or 23 dentally necessary or who has had a claim payment based on an 24 alternate dental service in accordance with accepted dental 25 standards for adequate and appropriate care must be provided an opportunity for an appeal to the insurer's licensed dentist 26 who is responsible for the medical necessity reviews under the 27 28 plan or is a member of the plan's peer review group. The 29 appeal may be by telephone, and the insurer's dentist must 30 respond within a reasonable time, not to exceed 15 business 31 days. 1 File original & 9 copies hcs0005 03/27/01 03:57 pm 00235-hr -672209

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Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001, and shall apply to policies issued or renewed after that date. And the title is amended as follows: Remove everything before the enacting clause and insert in lieu thereof: A bill to be entitled An act relating to dental service claim denials; amending s. 627.419, F.S.; providing for appeals from certain adverse determinations; providing an effective date. 

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