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Representative Brown offered the following:

Amendment

Remove line(s) 2466 through 2503, and insert:

(12) CREATION OF THREE-MEMBER PANEL; GUIDES OF MAXIMUM REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCES.--

(a) A three-member panel is created, consisting of the Insurance Commissioner, or the Insurance Commissioner's designee, and two members to be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate, one member who, on account of present or previous vocation, employment or affiliation, shall be classified as a representative of employers, and one member who, on account of previous vocation, employment or affiliation, shall be classified as a representative of employees. The panel shall determine statewide schedules of maximum reimbursement allowances for medically necessary treatment, care, and attendance provided by

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28 physicians, hospitals, ambulatory surgical centers, work-
29 hardening programs, pain programs, and durable medical
30 equipment. The maximum reimbursement allowances for inpatient
31 hospital care shall be based on a schedule of per diem rates, ~~to~~
32 ~~be approved by the three member panel no later than March 1,~~
33 ~~1994,~~ to be used in conjunction with a precertification manual
34 as determined by the department, including maximum hours in
35 which an outpatient may remain in observation status. The
36 maximum number of hours an outpatient may remain in observation
37 status shall not exceed 23 hours, starting with and including
38 the time that the patient arrives agency. All compensable
39 charges for hospital outpatient care shall be reimbursed at 75
40 percent of usual and customary charges, except as otherwise
41 provided by this subsection ~~Until the three member panel~~
42 ~~approves a schedule of per diem rates for inpatient hospital~~
43 ~~care and it becomes effective, all compensable charges for~~
44 ~~hospital inpatient care must be reimbursed at 75 percent of~~
45 ~~their usual and customary charges.~~ Annually, the three-member
46 panel shall adopt schedules of maximum reimbursement allowances
47 for physicians, hospital inpatient care, hospital outpatient
48 care, ambulatory surgical centers, work-hardening programs, and
49 pain programs. However, the maximum percentage of increase in
50 the individual reimbursement allowance may not exceed the
51 percentage of increase in the Consumer Price Index for the
52 previous year. An individual physician, hospital, ambulatory
53 surgical center, pain program, or work-hardening program shall
54 be reimbursed either ~~the usual and customary charge for~~
55 ~~treatment, care, and attendance,~~ the agreed-upon contract price,

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56 | or the maximum reimbursement allowance in the appropriate
57 | schedule, ~~whichever is less.~~