

The Florida Senate
HOUSE MESSAGE SUMMARY

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BILL: CS/CS/HB 7087

INTRODUCER: Select Committee on Affordable Committee on Healthcare Access

SUBJECT: Telehealth

DATE: March 9, 2016

I. Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 - 533707 to Senate Amendment 1 - 768878 (body with title)

II. Summary of Amendments Contained in Message:

House Amendment 1 directs the Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA), Department of Health, and Office of Insurance Regulation to survey health care facilities, insurers, and HMOs, regarding the use of telehealth and produce a report to the presiding officers and the Governor no later than June 30, 2018. The three entities may assess fines for failure to complete a survey.

The amendment also creates a 15-member Telehealth Advisory Council chaired by the Secretary of AHCA with the State Surgeon General and other members appointed by the AHCA Secretary and Surgeon General which represent health care practitioners, facilities, or telehealth-related entities. The council shall submit a report of its findings to the presiding officers and the Governor no later than December 1, 2018.

The section expires January 1, 2019.