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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate	.	House
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The Committee on Health Policy (Diaz) recommended the following:

**Senate Amendment (with title amendment)**

Delete lines 25 - 61  
and insert:  
considers the direct cost to provide air ambulance  
transportation service to an insured, the operation of an air  
ambulance service by a county which operates entirely within a  
designated area of critical state concern as determined by the  
Department of Economic Opportunity, and in-network reimbursement  
established by the insurer for the specific policy. The term  
does not include the amount of billed charges for the cost of



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12 services rendered.

13 (2) A health insurance policy must require a health insurer  
14 to provide reasonable reimbursement to an air ambulance service  
15 for covered nonemergency and emergency services provided to an  
16 insured in accordance with the coverage terms of the policy.  
17 Such reasonable reimbursement may be reduced only by applicable  
18 copayments, coinsurance, and deductibles. Payment in full by the  
19 insured of their applicable copayment, coinsurance, or  
20 deductible shall constitute an accord and satisfaction of, and  
21 otherwise constitute a release of any claim for additional  
22 monies owed by the insured in connection with the air ambulance  
23 service to the insurer or to any person or entity to whom such  
24 payment, or the right to receive such payment, is transferred or  
25 assigned.

26 Section 2. Section 641.514, Florida Statutes, is created to  
27 read:

28 641.514 Coverage for air ambulance services.-

29 (1) As used in this section, the term:

30 (a) "Air ambulance service" has the same meaning as  
31 provided in s. 401.23.

32 (b) "Reasonable reimbursement" means reimbursement that  
33 considers the direct cost to provide air ambulance  
34 transportation service to a subscriber, the operation of an air  
35 ambulance service by a county which operates entirely within a  
36 designated area of critical state concern as determined by the  
37 Department of Economic Opportunity, and in-network reimbursement  
38 established by the health maintenance organization for the  
39 specific health maintenance contract. The term does not include  
40 the amount of billed charges for the cost of services rendered.



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41           (2) A health maintenance contract must require a health  
42 maintenance organization to provide reasonable reimbursement to  
43 an air ambulance service for covered nonemergency and emergency  
44 services provided to a subscriber in accordance with the  
45 coverage terms of the policy. Such reasonable reimbursement may  
46 be reduced only by applicable copayments, coinsurance, and  
47 deductibles. Payment in full by the subscriber of their  
48 applicable copayment, coinsurance, or deductible shall  
49 constitute an accord and satisfaction of, and otherwise  
50 constitute a release of any claim for additional monies owed by  
51 the subscriber in connection with the air ambulance service to  
52 the health maintenance organization or to any person or entity  
53 to whom such payment, or the right to receive such payment, is  
54 transferred or assigned.

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56 ===== T I T L E   A M E N D M E N T =====

57 And the title is amended as follows:  
58           Delete lines 9 - 10  
59 and insert:  
60           providing that full payment of an applicable  
61           copayment, coinsurance, or deductible constitutes an  
62           accord, satisfaction, and release of certain claims;