

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2nd Session of the 50th Legislature (2006)

SENATE BILL 1522

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to insurance; requiring certain equal reimbursement for specified services; prohibiting certain higher copayment; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6051.1 of Title 36, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

Notwithstanding any provision of any individual or group policy, contract, plan or agreement of accident and/or health insurance or any provisions of a policy, contract, plan or agreement for hospital or medical service or indemnity, whenever such policy, contract, plan or agreement provides for reimbursement for any medical or chiropractic service which is within the lawful scope of practice of a duly licensed chiropractor, the person entitled to benefits, or person performing services, under such policy, contract, plan or agreement shall be entitled to reimbursement on an equal basis for such service, whether such service is performed by a physician licensed under Section 480 et seq. or Section 620 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes or by a chiropractor licensed under Section 161.3 et seq. of Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6051.2 of Title 36, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

An insurer shall not impose as a limitation on treatment or level of coverage a copayment amount charged to the insured for

chiropractic services that is higher than the copayment amount charged to the insured for the services of a duly licensed primary care physician for the same medically necessary treatment or condition.

SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2006.

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