

1 **SENATE FLOOR VERSION**

2 March 1, 2012

3 As Amended

4 SENATE BILL NO. 1390

5 By: Crain of the Senate

6 and

7 Cox of the House

8 **[Medicaid - requirements on recipients - effective**
9 **date]**

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

12 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 56 O.S. 2011, Section 1011.8, is
13 amended to read as follows:

14 Section 1011.8. A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall
15 continue to develop and administer a program that will encourage the
16 timely and appropriate use of primary care services in lieu of
17 emergency room utilization. The program shall include, but not be
18 limited to, the implementation of:

- 19 1. Educational strategies;
- 20 2. Technology-based monitoring; and
- 21 3. Co-payment structures as provided for in Section ~~3~~ 1011.3 of
22 this ~~act~~ title.

23 B. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority may develop a pilot
24 program utilizing state-licensed health care professionals to

1 perform educational interventions with consumers who highly utilize
2 emergency room services or to perform other services to reduce
3 unnecessary emergency room visits.

4 C. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall develop and
5 implement a telephone information health line pilot program under
6 which physicians are available by telephone twenty-four (24) hours a
7 day to answer medical questions and provide health information for
8 the Medicaid population. If the Health Care Authority determines
9 that the pilot program reduces unnecessary emergency room visits and
10 the pilot program demonstrates a net cost-savings, the Health Care
11 Authority shall expand the program into a statewide initiative.

12 D. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall evaluate and report
13 findings to the Governor and the Legislature by January 1, 2008.

14 E. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall evaluate various
15 methods of reducing unnecessary emergency room visits and **ambulance**
16 **usage for nonemergency transportation and** develop a written plan to
17 encourage the timely and appropriate use of primary care services in
18 lieu of emergency room utilization among the Medicaid population.
19 The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall submit this plan to the
20 President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of
21 Representatives, and the Governor on or before December 31, 2012.

22 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2012.

23 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, dated 2-29-12 - DO
24 PASS, As Amended and Coauthored.