

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 53rd Legislature (2012)

3 HOUSE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 1021

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 A Concurrent Resolution relating to insurance;  
8 creating the Oklahoma Cancer Treatment Parity Task  
9 Force; stating purpose; providing for membership,  
10 appointment, designation of first meeting, election  
11 of chair, quorum and staff support; providing no  
12 compensation; and requiring report of findings and  
13 recommendations by certain deadline.

14 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 2ND SESSION OF  
15 THE 53RD OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

16 THAT there is hereby created until November 15, 2012, the  
17 Oklahoma Cancer Treatment Parity Task Force. The purpose of the  
18 Task Force shall be to conduct research concerning the disparity of  
19 health insurance coverage between oral anticancer medications and  
20 intravenously administered chemotherapy medications. The research  
21 shall include data provided to the Insurance Department by the seven  
22 largest health insurance providers in the state. Such data shall  
23 include the scope of cancer policies, the difference in policy  
24 coverage between oral anticancer medications and intravenously

1 administered chemotherapy medications, and the number of individuals  
2 in the state who subscribe to such policies.

3 THAT the Task Force shall consist of the following eleven (11)  
4 members:

5 1. An individual representing the health care provider  
6 industry, appointed by the Governor;

7 2. An individual representing the health insurance industry  
8 appointed by the Governor;

9 3. A licensed physician currently practicing oncology in this  
10 state, appointed by the Governor;

11 4. An individual representing the health care provider  
12 industry, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

13 5. An individual representing the health insurance industry,  
14 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

15 6. A licensed physician currently practicing oncology in this  
16 state, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

17 7. A member of the public, appointed by the Speaker of the  
18 House of Representatives;

19 8. An individual representing the health care provider  
20 industry, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State  
21 Senate;

22 9. An individual representing the health insurance industry,  
23 appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate;

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1       10. A licensed physician currently practicing oncology in this  
2 state, appointed by the President Pro Tempore of the State Senate;  
3 and

4       11. A member of the public, appointed by the President Pro  
5 Tempore of the State Senate.

6       THAT appointments to the Task Force shall be made by August 1,  
7 2012. The first meeting of the Task Force shall be held by August  
8 15, 2012. The members of the Task Force shall elect a chair at the  
9 first meeting of the Task Force. Additional meetings of the Task  
10 Force shall be held at the call of the chair of the Task Force.  
11 Members shall serve at the pleasure of their appointing authorities.  
12 A majority of the members of the Task Force shall constitute a  
13 quorum to transact business, but no vacancy shall impair the right  
14 of the remaining members to exercise all of the powers of the Task  
15 Force. A vacancy on the Task Force shall be filled by the original  
16 appointing authority. Staff support for the Task Force shall be  
17 provided by the staff of the House of Representatives and State  
18 Senate. The Insurance Department shall provide support and  
19 information as requested by the Task Force.

20       THAT members of the Task Force shall receive no compensation or  
21 travel reimbursement for serving on the Task Force.

22       THAT the Task Force shall submit a report by November 15, 2012,  
23 to the Governor, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, and the  
24 Speaker of the House of Representatives. The report shall include

1 findings for any statutory or regulatory changes necessary to  
2 implement the recommendations of the Task Force.

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