

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 172

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to state government; amending 74 O.S.
8 2011, Section 1321, as amended by Section 966,
9 Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp. 2014, Section
10 1321), which relates to the Oklahoma Employees
11 Insurance and Benefits Act; requiring the Office of
12 Management and Enterprise Services to propose certain
13 plan design; prohibiting reimbursement to certain
14 entity in excess of the amount of the service;
15 providing for codification; and providing an
16 effective date.

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

18 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 74 O.S. 2011, Section 1321, as
19 amended by Section 966, Chapter 304, O.S.L. 2012 (74 O.S. Supp.
20 2014, Section 1321), is amended to read as follows:

21 Section 1321. A. The Office of Management and Enterprise
22 Services shall have the authority to determine all rates and life,
23 dental and health benefits. All rates shall be compiled in a
24 comprehensive Schedule of Benefits. The Schedule of Benefits shall
be available for inspection during regular business hours at the
Office of Management and Enterprise Services. The Office shall have

1 the authority to annually adjust the rates and benefits based on
2 claim experience.

3 B. The premiums for such insurance plans offered for the next
4 plan year shall be established as follows:

5 1. For active employees and their dependents, the Office's
6 premium determination shall be made no later than the bid submission
7 date for health maintenance organizations set by the Oklahoma State
8 Employees Benefits Council, which shall be set in August no later
9 than the third Friday of that month; and

10 2. For all other covered members and dependents, the Office's
11 and the health maintenance organizations' premium determinations
12 shall be no later than the fourth Friday of September.

13 C. The Office may approve a mid-year adjustment provided the
14 need for an adjustment is substantiated by an actuarial
15 determination or more current experience rating. The only
16 publication or notice requirements that shall apply to the Schedule
17 of Benefits shall be those requirements provided in the Oklahoma
18 Open Meeting Act. It is the intent of the Legislature that the
19 benefits provided not include cosmetic dental procedures except for
20 certain orthodontic procedures as adopted by the Director.

21 D. In establishing health plan rates and benefits, the Office
22 of Management and Enterprise Services shall propose a plan design
23 which substantively incentivizes participants to purchase health
24 services from providers which post transparent pricing through web-

1 based technology platforms and to provide documentation regarding
2 the purchase of such services from the most affordable provider.

3 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
4 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1324.1 of Title 74, unless there
5 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

6 In no case shall the reimbursement to a participating health
7 care provider exceed the amount of the service for which the
8 reimbursement is requested, provided the cost of the service may be
9 reasonably ascertained from a web-based transparent pricing rate
10 sheet which appears on the provider's website.

11 SECTION 3. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

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