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Research Analysis

House Bill 3381, as introduced, establishes the calculation of the dental loss ratio, specifying the numerator and denominator components. The measure grants the Oklahoma Insurance Commissioner the authority to define expenditures for clinical dental services, activities improving dental services, and nonprofit community benefit expenditures that are aligned with exclusion parameters. Carriers offering dental coverage plans are required to electronically file a dental loss ratio form, including data on enrollees, cost-sharing, deductible amounts, and more. The Commissioner is empowered to enforce compliance, investigate outliers, and publish dental loss ratio information on their website.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 3381 requires the Insurance Commissioner to establish rules and create a reporting form to collect data from dental insurers to calculate the carrier's dental loss ratio, which is the percentage of premium dollars collected annually by a dental coverage plan that is spent on dental services for enrollees, excluding overhead and administrative costs.

Dental carriers are required to file a dental loss ratio form electronically with the Employees Group Insurance Division of the Office of Management Enterprise Services (OMES-EGID) for the previous calendar year. After two years of data has been collected, the Commissioner must establish criteria to identify carriers that deviate from average dental loss ratios. The Commissioner is allowed to impose penalties to enforce compliance and against carriers who are determined to be outliers. In addition, this measure requires dental insurers to issue a written or virtual insurance card in a standardized format determined by the Insurance Commissioner.

The Oklahoma Insurance Department (OID) is a non-appropriated state agency, therefore, any costs to regulate are assumed to be objective within the Departments existing resources. As a result this measure has no direct impact on the state budget or appropriations.

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Other Considerations

None.

