

**Bill Summary**  
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**Bill Analysis**

SB 1918 requires health benefit plans to allow a health care provider to accept direct and full payment from an enrollee a covered health care service in lieu of submitting a claim to the enrollee's health benefit plan. The measure provides that such payment shall be applied toward the enrollee's deductible and annual maximum out-of-pocket expense if the service is a medically necessary covered service under the health plan. Each health benefit plan is required by the measure to establish a procedure for enrollees to claim credit for any direct payment made for a covered health care service. Information relating to such payments must be readily available to the enrollee on the health benefit plan's website.

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