

Senate File 2261

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1 Amend Senate File 2261 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause
3 and inserting:

4 <Section 1. NEW SECTION. 514C.5A Prescription drug
5 medication synchronization.

6 1. A carrier, as defined in section 513B.2, that
7 provides prescription drug coverage through a policy
8 or contract delivered, issued for delivery, continued,
9 or renewed on or after January 1, 2017, shall offer
10 medication synchronization services that allow for the
11 alignment of refill dates for a covered individual's
12 prescription drugs that are a covered benefit. Such
13 carrier shall comply with all of the following:

14 a. Shall not deny coverage and shall prorate the
15 cost sharing rate for a prescription drug that is a
16 covered benefit and is dispensed by a network pharmacy
17 in less than the standard refill amount, if the covered
18 individual requests both enrollment in a medication
19 synchronization program and a less-than-standard refill
20 amount for the purposes of medication synchronization.

21 b. Shall accept early refill and short fill
22 requests for prescription drugs using the submission
23 clarification and message codes adopted by the national
24 council for prescription drug plans or alternative
25 codes specified by the carrier.

26 c. Shall pay the ingredient cost and the dispensing
27 fee in accordance with the contracted rate for each
28 submitted claim, regardless of the days' supply
29 specified in the claim submitted.

30 2. For purposes of this section, "*medication*
31 *synchronization*" means the coordination of medication
32 refills for a patient taking two or more medications
33 for a chronic condition that are dispensed by a single
34 network pharmacy to facilitate the synchronization
35 of an individual's medications for the purpose of

1 improving medication adherence.>

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