

House File 2192

S-5112

1 Amend House File 2192, as amended, passed, and reprinted by  
2 the House, as follows:

3 1. Page 1, by striking lines 27 through 33 and inserting:

4 <b. A health carrier shall reimburse a health care  
5 professional for health care services, other than health care  
6 services for mental health conditions, illnesses, injuries, or  
7 diseases, provided by telehealth to a covered person who is not  
8 located at a facility on the same basis that the health carrier  
9 would apply to the same health care services provided to a  
10 covered person by the health care professional in person, and  
11 at a rate negotiated between the health carrier and the health  
12 care professional. The negotiated rate shall not be less than  
13 sixty-five percent of the rate that the health carrier would  
14 reimburse the health care professional for the same health  
15 care services provided to a covered person by the health care  
16 professional in person.

17 c. A health carrier shall reimburse a health care  
18 professional for health care services for a mental health  
19 condition, illness, injury, or disease provided by telehealth  
20 to a covered person who is not located at a facility on the same  
21 basis that the health carrier would apply to the same health  
22 care services for a mental health condition, illness, injury,  
23 or disease provided to a covered person by the health care  
24 professional in person, and at a rate negotiated between the  
25 health carrier and the health care provider. The negotiated  
26 rate shall not be less than ninety-five percent of the rate  
27 that the health carrier would reimburse the health care  
28 professional for the same health care services provided to a  
29 covered person by the health care professional in person.

30 d. As a condition of reimbursement pursuant to paragraph "a"  
31 or "c", a health carrier shall not require that an additional  
32 health care professional be located in the same room as the  
33 covered person while health care services for a mental health  
34 condition, illness, injury, or disease are delivered via  
35 telehealth by another health care professional to the covered

1 person.

2 e. If the governor issues a proclamation of disaster  
3 emergency pursuant to section 29C.6 that suspends the provision  
4 of in-person nonessential health care services by health care  
5 professionals, a health carrier shall reimburse a health care  
6 professional and a facility for health care services provided  
7 by telehealth to a covered person on the same basis and at the  
8 same rate as the health carrier would apply to the same health  
9 care services provided to a covered person by the health care  
10 professional and a facility in person. For purposes of this  
11 paragraph, "*nonessential health care services*" are health care  
12 services that can be delayed without undue risk to the current  
13 or future health of an individual, considering all appropriate  
14 factors, including but not limited to the following:

15 (1) The threat to an individual's life if a surgery or other  
16 procedure is delayed.

17 (2) The threat of permanent dysfunction to an individual's  
18 organ systems or an individual's extremities.

19 (3) The risk of an individual experiencing metastasis or a  
20 progression in staging of a cancer-related condition.

21 (4) The risk of an individual developing rapidly worsening  
22 or severe symptoms.

23 (5) The risk of severe pain, infection, or impact on an  
24 individual's normal oral functioning.>

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