

AN ACT

PROHIBITING THE IMPOSITION BY A DENTAL PLAN OF FEE SCHEDULES
FOR THE PROVISION OF DENTAL SERVICES THAT ARE NOT COVERED BY
THE PLAN.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

Section 1. NEW SECTION. 514C.3B **Dental coverage — fee
schedules.**

1. A contract between a dental plan and a dentist for the provision of services to covered individuals under the plan shall not require that a dentist provide services to those covered individuals at a fee set by the dental plan unless such services are covered services under the dental plan.

2. A person or entity providing third-party administrator services shall not make available any dentists in its dentist network to a dental plan that sets fees for dental services that are not covered services.

3. For the purposes of this section:

a. "Covered services" means services reimbursed under the dental plan.

b. "Dental plan" means any policy or contract of insurance which provides for coverage of dental services not in connection with a medical plan that provides for the coverage of medical services.

4. Nothing in this section shall be construed as limiting the ability of an insurer or a third-party administrator

to restrict any of the following as they relate to covered services:

- a.* Balance billing.
- b.* Waiting periods.
- c.* Frequency limitations.
- d.* Deductibles.
- e.* Maximum annual benefits.

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Speaker of the House

JOHN P. KIBBIE
President of the Senate

I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and is known as House File 2229, Eighty-third General Assembly.

MARK BRANDSGARD
Chief Clerk of the House

Approved _____, 2010

CHESTER J. CULVER
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