

House Study Bill 52 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____

BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
BILL BY CHAIRPERSON MEYER)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the establishment of tiered reimbursement
2 rates for pediatric outpatient services under the Medicaid
3 program.

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

1 Section 1. MEDICAID TIERED REIMBURSEMENT RATES —
2 PEDIATRIC OUTPATIENT SERVICES. The department of health and
3 human services shall implement a tiered rate reimbursement
4 methodology for pediatric outpatient care under the Medicaid
5 program based on patient acuity. The reimbursement rates may
6 incorporate code modifiers to reflect the extended time and
7 increased intensity required of a pediatric provider to address
8 complex trauma, complexity of a child's family environment, and
9 other factors affecting a child as recommended by pediatric
10 providers and advocates.

11 EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill requires the department of health and human
15 services to implement a tiered rate reimbursement methodology
16 for pediatric outpatient care under the Medicaid program based
17 on patient acuity. The reimbursement rates may incorporate
18 code modifiers to reflect the extended time and increased
19 intensity required of a pediatric provider to address complex
20 trauma, complexity of a child's family environment, and other
21 factors affecting a child as recommended by pediatric providers
22 and advocates.