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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "B" to H.P. 381, L.D. 492, Bill, "An Act To Encourage Agricultural Cooperative Associations To Provide Group Health Plans"

Amend the bill in section 1 in paragraph D in the 11th line (page 1, line 38 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "decision." the following: 'Any difference in the grievance procedure requirements between those of the state in which the group health plan is located and those of this State must be limited to the number of days, not to exceed 3 days, required for notification of prior authorization for nonemergency services and the number of days, not to exceed 60 days, required for the issuance of a decision following the filing of an appeal of an adverse health care treatment decision.'

SUMMARY

This amendment is the minority report of the committee. Like the majority report, the amendment clarifies that any differences in the grievance procedure requirements between this State and the state in which the group health plan is located must be limited to deadlines for notification of prior authorization of nonemergency services and decisions on appeals of adverse health care treatment decisions. However, this amendment establishes the maximum number of days for notification of prior authorization at 3 days and the maximum number of days for decisions on appeals of adverse decisions at 60 days.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT