First Regular Session - 2017

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 322

BY WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

2 RELATING TO INSURANCE; AMENDING SECTION 41-1849, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE

3 PROVISIONS REGARDING CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS OF DENTAL SERVICES; AND

4 AMENDING SECTION 41-3444, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS REGARDING

5 CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS OF DENTAL SERVICES.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Section 41-1849, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 41-1849. CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS OF DENTAL SERVICES. (1) No person contracting with dentists to provide coverage or reimbursement for dental services may require, as an element of any dental care provider participation contract, that any provider agree to adopt fees set by the person for services that are not covered services under the contract. "Covered services" as used in this section means services and procedures reimbursed under the applicable dental plan, dental plan contract or plan benefits subject to such contractual limitations on benefits of the dental plan, dental plan contracts or plan benefits as may apply. When the third-party payer is no longer liable for paying for an individual service or procedure, in part or in whole, due to calendar-year limitations or any other contractual limit, that service or procedure is no longer a covered service.
- (2) This section shall apply to any contract with providers for dental services that is issued after $\frac{1}{3}$ December 31, 201 $\frac{1}{2}$. Contracts that are in existence on $\frac{1}{3}$ December 31, 201 $\frac{1}{2}$, shall be brought into compliance on the next anniversary date, renewal date, or the expiration date of the applicable collective bargaining contract, if any, whichever date is latest.
- SECTION 2. That Section 41-3444, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 41-3444. CONTRACTS WITH PROVIDERS OF DENTAL SERVICES. (1) No person contracting with dentists to provide coverage or reimbursement for dental services may require, as an element of any dental care provider participation contract, that any provider agree to adopt fees set by the person for services that are not covered services under the contract. "Covered services" as used in this section means services and procedures reimbursed under the applicable dental plan, dental plan contract or plan benefits subject to such contractual limitations on benefits of the dental plan, dental plan contracts or plan benefits as may apply. When the third-party payer is no longer liable for paying for an individual service or procedure, in part or in whole, due to calendar-year limitations or any other contractual limit, that service or procedure is no longer a covered service.

(2) This section shall apply to any contract with providers for dental services that is issued after $\frac{1}{3}$ December 31, $\frac{201+7}{2}$. Contracts that are in existence on $\frac{1}{3}$ December 31, $\frac{201+7}{2}$, shall be brought into compliance on the next anniversary date, renewal date, or the expiration date of the applicable collective bargaining contract, if any, whichever date is latest.