

Amendment No. 1 to SB0768

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**AMEND Senate Bill No. 768\***

**House Bill No. 1074**

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2404, is amended by deleting the word "chiropractor" wherever it appears in subsection (a) and substituting "chiropractic physician"; and deleting the word "chiropractors" from subdivision (a)(2) and substituting "chiropractic physicians".

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 56-7-2404(a), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3)

(A) When a health insurance entity is determining the amount of reimbursement to be paid pursuant to subdivision (a)(1) or (a)(2) for a service or procedure that is identified and listed in a nationally recognized services and procedures code book that is used by the health insurance entity, the health insurance entity shall not discriminate between a chiropractic physician and a medical physician with respect to the methodology used to calculate reimbursement or the amount of reimbursement. A health insurance entity shall not attempt to circumvent this subdivision (a)(3) by creating a chiropractic-specific code or payment methodology not listed in the nationally recognized code book used by the health insurance entity for determining the amount of reimbursement.

(B) This section does not limit the ability of a health insurance entity to utilize national uniform relative value units (RVUs) that account for the relative resources used in furnishing a service or procedure.

(C) As used in this subdivision (a)(3):

(1) "Health insurance entity" has the same meaning as defined in § 56-7-109; and

(2) "Nationally recognized services and procedures code book" includes, but is not limited to, the American Medical Association's Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code book.

(D) This subdivision (a)(3) does not apply to:

(1) The TennCare program provided for in the Medical Assistance Act of 1968, compiled in title 71, chapter 5, part 1, or a successor medicaid program; or

(2) The CoverKids program provided for in the CoverKids Act of 2006, compiled in title 71, chapter 3, part 11, or a successor program.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2024, the public welfare requiring it.