

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1359

Page 1, line 2, remove "; and to provide an appropriation"

Page 1, line 18, remove "The limits may not fall below the direct care"

Page 1, remove line 19

Page 1, line 20, remove "established for the ninetieth percentile facility."

Page 1, line 23, replace "eighty-five" with "seventy"

Page 2, line 1, replace "eighty" with "seventy"

Page 2, remove lines 7 through 11

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment removes the \$300,000 general fund appropriation which would have provided funds for implementing the basic care payment rate changes provided for in the bill and removes language for basic care payment rates which would have provided that the limits for the actual allowable historical operating cost per diem, based on cost reports of allowable operating costs, may not fall below the direct care rate established for the 95th percentile facility and the indirect care rate established for the 90th percentile facility. The amendment also adjusts the direct care rate limit to 70 percent of the average of the highest and lowest direct care rates during the preceding year and adjusts the indirect care rate limit to 70 percent of the average of the highest and lowest indirect care rates during the preceding year.