
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MUTUAL BENEFIT SOCIETIES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 432, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§432:1- Reimbursement for providers of health
5 services. (a) Notwithstanding any provision of any individual
6 or group hospital or medical service plan contract, whenever the
7 contract of a mutual benefit society provides for payment for
8 any service performed by a participating provider of health care
9 services, the provider of the service shall be entitled to
10 payment at a rate of not less than one hundred and twenty per
11 cent of the national average cost of the service, as determined
12 by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor
13 Statistics. The rate shall be adjusted no later than fourteen
14 days after the Bureau of Labor Statistics releases such data to
15 the public.

16 (b) The department of commerce and consumer affairs shall
17 adopt rules under chapter 91 as necessary for the purposes of
18 this section."



1 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

2 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2008.

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Report Title:

Mutual benefit societies; Payment to participating providers of health care services

Description:

Links the payments by mutual benefit societies to private health providers to cost-of-living adjustments based on the national average.

