

## 101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2019 and 2020 SB2771

Introduced 2/4/2020, by Sen. Laura Fine

## SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

215 ILCS 5/368d

Amends the Illinois Insurance Code. Provides that an insurer, health maintenance organization, independent practice association, or physician hospital organization may not attempt a recoupment or offset until all appeal rights of a health care professional or health care provider are exhausted. Provides that no recoupment or offset may be requested or withheld from future payments 6 months or more after the original payment is made (rather than 18 months or more after the original payment is made). Effective January 1, 2021.

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1 AN ACT concerning regulation.

## Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Illinois Insurance Code is amended by changing Section 368d as follows:
- 6 (215 ILCS 5/368d)
- 7 Sec. 368d. Recoupments.
- (a) A health care professional or health care provider 8 shall be provided a remittance advice, which must include an explanation of a recoupment or offset taken by an insurer, 10 11 health maintenance organization, independent 12 association, or physician hospital organization, if any. The recoupment explanation shall, at a minimum, include the name of 13 14 the patient; the date of service; the service code or if no service code is available a service description; the recoupment 15 amount; and the reason for the recoupment or offset. In 16 17 insurer, health maintenance organization, addition, an independent practice association, or physician hospital 18 19 organization shall provide with the remittance advice, or with any demand for recoupment or offset, a telephone number or 20 21 mailing address to initiate an appeal of the recoupment or 22 offset together with the deadline for initiating an appeal. Such information shall be prominently displayed on the 2.3

remittance advice or written document containing the demand for recoupment or offset. Any appeal of a recoupment or offset by a health care professional or health care provider must be made within 60 days after receipt of the remittance advice. An insurer, health maintenance organization, independent practice association, or physician hospital organization may not attempt a recoupment or offset until all appeal rights are exhausted.

- (b) It is not a recoupment when a health care professional or health care provider is paid an amount prospectively or concurrently under a contract with an insurer, health maintenance organization, independent practice association, or physician hospital organization that requires a retrospective reconciliation based upon specific conditions outlined in the contract.
- (c) No recoupment or offset may be requested or withheld from future payments  $\underline{6}$   $\underline{18}$  months or more after the original payment is made, except in cases in which:
  - (1) a court, government administrative agency, other tribunal, or independent third-party arbitrator makes or has made a formal finding of fraud or material misrepresentation;
  - (2) an insurer is acting as a plan administrator for the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan under the Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan Act; or
    - (3) the provider has already been paid in full by any

- 1 other payer, third party, or workers' compensation
- 2 insurer.
- 3 No contract between an insurer and a health care professional
- 4 or health care provider may provide for recoupments in
- 5 violation of this Section. Nothing in this Section shall be
- 6 construed to preclude insurers, health maintenance
- 7 organizations, independent practice associations, or physician
- 8 hospital organizations from resolving coordination of benefits
- 9 between or among each other, including, but not limited to,
- 10 resolution of workers' compensation and third-party liability
- 11 cases, without recouping payment from the provider beyond the
- 12 18-month time limit provided in this subsection (c).
- 13 (Source: P.A. 97-556, eff. 1-1-12.)
- 14 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect January
- 15 1, 2021.