

SB 6421 - H COMM AMD

By Committee on Health Care & Wellness

1 On page 1, beginning on line 10, after "1396r-8(k)." strike all
2 material through "medications." on line 11

3 On page 1, beginning on line 14, after "to" strike all material
4 through "chapter." on line 14, and insert "encourage the use of
5 effective, evidence-based services. The department shall track
6 per-capita expenditures for a cohort of clients that receive smoking
7 cessation benefits, and submit a cost-benefit analysis to the
8 legislature on or before January 1, 2012."

EFFECT: Removes the exemption from prior authorization requirements for smoking cessation medications.

Requires the establishment of coverage limitations to encourage the use of effective, evidence-based services rather than to discourage waste or address fraud.

Requires DSHS to track expenditures for a cohort of clients receiving smoking cessation benefits and to submit a cost-benefit analysis to the Legislature by January 1, 2012.

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