

1 **SHB 1292 - H AMDS 049 ADOPTED 2-28-97**

2 By Representative Linville

3 On page 2, line 4, after "with" insert "the attending
4 physician or"

5 On page 2, line 9, after "difference" insert the following:

6 ". When scheduling an independent medical examination, the
7 employer or group must select an examiner or examiners from a
8 rotating list provided by the department of not more than five
9 names for each specialty, except that:

10 (i) If the list is not provided by the department within three
11 working days of the department's receipt of a written request for
12 the list, the employer or group may select any provider qualified
13 by the department as an approved provider; or

14 (ii) The employer or group may select an examiner or examiners
15 without regard to the rotating list if, under rules adopted by the
16 department, special circumstances exist in which the employer or
17 group is permitted, with the concurrence of the attending doctor,
18 to schedule the examination with any provider qualified by the
19 department as an approved provider"

EFFECT: Clarifies that retrospective rating employers may schedule with the attending physician as well as with qualified approved providers, and adds that scheduling must be from a list of no more than five names for each provider specialty, unless the list is not provided in three days of a written request or the employer is scheduling pursuant to special circumstances, as permitted in department rules.