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- 1 On page 5, at the beginning of line 3 of the amendment, after 2 "(4)" strike all of subsection (a)
- 3 On page 5, at the beginning of line 9 of the amendment, strike 4 "(b)"
- 5 On page 5, after line 20 of the amendment, insert the б following:
- 7 "(6) Nothing in this section shall prohibit communication 8 concerning the worker's medical treatment or condition between the worker's attending physician or licensed advanced registered nurse 9 practitioner and the provider conducting an examination under this 10 11 section. Communication between these parties is encouraged when 12 such communication may help avoid conflict and aid claim 13 resolution."

EFFECT: Strikes the requirement that a provider conducting an independent medical examination consult with the attending physician and strikes the requirement that the provider conducting an independent medical examination provide a report to the attending physician prior to submitting it to the Department or a self-insurer.

Adds language clarifying that nothing prohibits communication concerning the worker's medical treatment or conditions between worker's attending physician or licensed advanced registered nurse practitioner and the independent medical examiner. Adds language that states that communication between these parties is encouraged when such communication may help avoid conflict and aid claim resolution.