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SENATE BILL 5682

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By Senators Honeyford and Parlette

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1 AN ACT Relating to reimbursement of prenatal and well-child visits  
2 for rural health clinics; adding a new section to chapter 74.09 RCW;  
3 and declaring an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 74.09 RCW  
6 to read as follows:

7 (1) Effective January 1, 2011, a federally designated rural health  
8 clinic must be paid the cost-based encounter rate for prenatal and  
9 well-child visits whether delivered under a managed care contract or  
10 fee-for-service.

11 (2) In reconciling managed care enhancement payments for calendar  
12 years 2009 and 2010, the department must treat well-child and prenatal  
13 care visits delivered by federally designated rural health clinics as  
14 encounters subject to the clinic's encounter rate for purposes of the  
15 rate reconciliation.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** This act is necessary for the immediate  
17 preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or support of the

1 state government and its existing public institutions, and takes effect  
2 immediately.

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