
SUBSTITUTE HOUSE BILL 2464

State of Washington

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By House Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Gildon and Young)

READ FIRST TIME 02/04/20.

1 AN ACT Relating to protecting patients from excess charges for
2 prescription medications; and adding a new section to chapter 48.43
3 RCW.

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

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** A new section is added to chapter 48.43
6 RCW to read as follows:

7 (1) Beginning January 1, 2021, the maximum amount a health
8 carrier or pharmacy benefit manager may require a person to pay at
9 the point of sale for a covered prescription medication is the lesser
10 of:

11 (a) The applicable cost sharing for the prescription medication;
12 or

13 (b) The amount the person would pay for the prescription
14 medication if the person purchased the prescription medication
15 without using a health plan.

16 (2) For purposes of this section, "pharmacy benefit manager" has
17 the same meaning as in RCW 19.340.010.

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