

**MINUTES OF THE FLOOR MEETING
OF THE
ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Eightieth Session
June 1, 2019**

The Committee on Health and Human Services was called to order by Chairwoman Lesley E. Cohen at 10:26 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, 2019, behind the bar of the Assembly.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Assemblywoman Lesley E. Cohen, Chairwoman
Assemblyman Richard Carrillo, Vice Chairman
Assemblyman Alex Assefa
Assemblywoman Bea Duran
Assemblywoman Michelle Gorelow
Assemblyman Gregory T. Hafen II
Assemblyman John Hambrick
Assemblywoman Lisa Krasner
Assemblywoman Connie Munk
Assemblywoman Rochelle T. Nguyen

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Assemblywoman Robin L. Titus (excused)

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Marsheilah Lyons, Committee Policy Analyst
Karly O'Krent, Committee Counsel
Christian Thauer, Committee Manager

Chairwoman Cohen:

[Roll was taken.] We will be voting on two bills this evening. Marsheilah Lyons, our Committee Policy Analyst, will read a description of Senate Bill 472 (1st Reprint).

Senate Bill 472 (1st Reprint): Establishes a database of information concerning health insurance claims in this State. (BDR 40-1145)

Marsheilah Lyons, Committee Policy Analyst:

Senate Bill 472 (1st Reprint), as amended, requires the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to establish an all-payer claims database relating to medical, dental, or pharmacy benefits provided in this state. Public and private insurers that provide health benefits and are regulated under state law must submit data to the database, and certain



insurers regulated by federal law may submit data to the database. The bill provides for data confidentiality, authorizes requests for data from the database, and prohibits certain uses and disclosures of the data. The DHHS must use data from the database to publish an annual report concerning the quality, efficiency, and cost of health care in the state and submit certain reports to the Legislature.

To support personnel and operating costs related to implementing the provisions of the bill, S.B. 472 (R1), as amended, makes appropriations of \$1,405 in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019-2020 and \$429,707 in FY 2020-2021 from the State General Fund to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy, DHHS.

There are two proposed amendments:

1. Specifies that provisions of S.B. 472 (R1) will only be implemented if federal funding or other grant funding is approved to pay for 90 percent of the implementation cost. [Proposed by Assemblywoman Cohen.]
2. Clarifies that DHHS may only collect information normally collected by health carriers for billing purposes in the normal course of business (see section 16) and removes references to specific types of data that are not generally collected by insurers from the definition of "direct patient identifier" in section 4. [Proposed by Senator Spearman.]

Chairwoman Cohen:

I will take a motion to amend and do pass S.B. 472 (R1).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN MUNK MADE A MOTION TO AMEND AND DO PASS SENATE BILL 472 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN DURAN SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMEN HAFEN AND KRASNER VOTED NO. ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS WAS ABSENT FOR THE VOTE.)

The next bill we will be considering is Senate Bill 425 (1st Reprint).

Senate Bill 425 (1st Reprint): Requires the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the State Plan for Medicaid to provide certain additional home and community-based services. (BDR 38-919)

Marsheilah Lyons, Committee Policy Analyst:

Senate Bill 425 (1st Reprint) requires the director of the Department of Health and Human Services to include in the State Plan for Medicaid an option to provide certain additional

home and community-based services, including, to the extent authorized, tenancy support services. There were no amendments for this measure.

Chairwoman Cohen:

I will accept a motion to do pass S.B. 425 (R1).

ASSEMBLYWOMAN GORELOW MADE A MOTION TO DO PASS
SENATE BILL 425 (1ST REPRINT).

ASSEMBLYMAN CARRILLO SECONDED THE MOTION.

THE MOTION PASSED. (ASSEMBLYMEN HAFEN AND HAMBRICK
VOTED NO. ASSEMBLYWOMAN TITUS WAS ABSENT FOR THE
VOTE.)

Thank you, Committee. We are adjourned [at 10:31 p.m.].

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

Christian Thauer
Recording Secretary

Terry Horgan
Transcribing Secretary

APPROVED BY:

Assemblywoman Lesley E. Cohen, Chairwoman

DATE: _____