



## SENATE OF PENNSYLVANIA BILL SUMMARY

### Senate Bill 373 Printer's No. 364

Prime Sponsor: Eichelberger  
Committee: Banking and Insurance

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#### **SYNOPSIS:**

Amends section 1202 of the Insurance Company Law of 1921 providing for direct payment of dental services.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Allows an insured to authorize payment of dental benefits directly to the provider of the dental services.

Insurance contracts may not prohibit, and claim forms must provide an option for, the payment of benefits directly to the specified provider of the dental service.

Insurers may require written attestation of the assignment of the payment.

Payment to the provider from the insurer may not be more than the amount the insurer would otherwise have paid without the assignment of payment.

Requires the Legislative Budget and Finance Committee to conduct a study to examine the impacts of this legislation and provide a report to the chairmen and minority chairmen of the House Insurance Committee and the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee no more than 36 months after the effective date of this legislation.

Changes Department of Public Welfare to Department of Human Services throughout this section.

Effective Date: 60 days

#### **BILL HISTORY:**

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