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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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**ALBERTA HEALTH CARE INSURANCE
AMENDMENT ACT, 1999**

MINISTER OF HEALTH

First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to _____, 1999)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Amends RSA
1980 cA-24

**1 The *Alberta Health Care Insurance Act* is amended by
this Act.**

**2 Section 5.41 is amended by adding “or a regulation under
section 7(b.2)” after “5.32”.**

3 Section 7 is amended

**(a) by repealing clause (b) and substituting the
following:**

(b) respecting the submission of claims for benefits and
the payment of claims for benefits, including
regulations respecting

(i) the persons who may submit a claim for
benefits,

(ii) the form and manner in which a claim for
benefits must be submitted,

(iii) the information that must be submitted in
connection with a claim for benefits, and

Explanatory Notes

1 Amends chapter A-24 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 1980.

2 Section 5.41 presently reads:

5.41 A person who contravenes section 5.2, 5.3, 5.31 or 5.32 is guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of not more than

(a) \$1000 for the first offence, and

(b) \$2000 for the 2nd and each subsequent offence.

3 Section 7 presently reads:

7 The Minister may make regulations

(a) respecting the rates of benefits in respect of basic health services or extended health services;

(b) respecting the manner in which benefits are to be paid and the persons to whom benefits are to be paid, the conditions of payment and the information required to be submitted in connection with claims for benefits;

(c) specifying, within the classes prescribed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the goods and services that are basic health services or extended health services for the purpose of the Plan.

- (iv) the persons to whom benefits are to be paid and the conditions of payment;
- (b.1) authorizing the Minister to refuse to pay benefits where a claim for benefits is not submitted as required by the regulations;
- (b.2) prohibiting a physician or dental surgeon who provides insured services from charging or collecting from any person any amount that could be recovered through a claim for benefits submitted by the physician or dental surgeon, and respecting the circumstances under which such action is prohibited;
- (b.3) providing that sections 5.2 and 5.4 of this Act apply, with any necessary modifications, in respect of amounts charged or collected in contravention of regulations under clause (b.2);

(b) by adding the following after clause (c):

- (d) providing for any other matters the Minister considers necessary for the proper administration of the Plan.

