

Amend **HB 2163** by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. (a) In this section, "pharmacy care management services" means services provided by a pharmacy to support patients receiving treatment or therapy through a specialty pharmacy drug or therapy and maximize adherence to the drug or therapy, including:

(1) significant caregiver and provider contact and education regarding the relevant disease, disease prevention and treatment, and counseling related to drug indications, benefits, risks, complications, and appropriate use of the prescribed drug or therapy;

(2) patient compliance services, including coordination of provider visits with delivery of the specialty drug or therapy to the provider, compliance with the dosing regimen, patient reminders, compilation of data, and assisting providers in the development of compliance programs; and

(3) tracking services, including developing ordering processes with a provider, screening referrals, and tracking a patient's weight for dosing requirements.

(b) The Health and Human Services Commission shall study the feasibility of establishing separate reimbursement rates under the Medicaid vendor drug program for pharmacies that provide pharmacy care management services to patients who are administered specialty pharmacy drugs, including drugs indicated for the prophylaxis of respiratory syncytial virus, blood factor, or any other biologic or therapy that requires complex care.

(c) In conducting the study under Subsection (b) of this section, the Health and Human Services Commission shall consult with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services and may consider the adoption of pharmacy care management services reimbursement for pharmacy services adopted by other state Medicaid programs.

(d) The Health and Human Services Commission shall seek information from specialty pharmacy providers or other sources regarding the costs of providing pharmacy care management services.

(e) Not later than September 1, 2010, the Health and Human Services Commission shall submit a written report of the results of the study conducted under Subsection (b) of this section to the legislature.