The House Committee on Insurance

84th Legislature March 30, 2016 10:00 a.m. E2.036

Pursuant to a notice posted on March 17, 2016, the House Committee on Insurance met in a public hearing and was called to order by the chair, Representative Frullo, at 10:13 a.m.

The initial quorum call was answered as follows: Representatives Frullo; Muñoz, Jr.; Bonnen, Greg; Sheets; Vo; and Workman.

A quorum was present.

(Representative Paul now present.) (Representative Meyer now present.)

The House Insurance Committee met to hear invited testimony related to:

Charge 7: Review the implementation of HB 2929 (83R). Examine the bill's impact and compliance among affected health plans. Examine the costs incurred by the Employees Retirement System, Teacher Retirement System, and any other affected state health plans as a result of the legislation.

Charge 8: Review current statutory provisions regarding the prosecution of workers' compensation insurance fraud. Examine ways to maintain or enhance fraud prosecution while ensuring a fair process for all parties involved.

Charge 3: Evaluate the statutory penalty calculations under Texas's prompt payment laws regarding health care claims. Include an analysis of whether the proper benchmarks are used to establish penalties commensurate with an improper payment and the effect of the abolition of the Texas Health Insurance Risk Pool on the use of funds collected under the statute.

Testimony taken/registration recorded. (See attached witness list.)

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At 3:00 p.m., on the motion of the chair and without objection, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the chair.

Rep. Frullo, Chair

Jesse Sifuentez, Clerk