

MINUTES
HOUSE COMMERCE & HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

DATE: Thursday, January 21, 2016

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

PLACE: Room EW05

MEMBERS: Chairman Hartgen, Vice Chairman Anderson, Representatives Harris, Holtzclaw, Romrell, Chaney, Horman, Nielsen, Packer, Redman, King, Chew (Wallace), Rudolph

**ABSENT/
EXCUSED:** Rep. Nielsen

GUESTS: Patti Vaughn, Mindy Montgomery, Idaho Industrial Commission; Larry Tisdale, Idaho Hospital Association; Dennis Stevenson, Office of Administration; Woody Richards, Blue Cross of Idaho

Chairman Hartgen called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

MOTION: **Rep. Anderson** made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2016 meeting. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
17-0209-1502:** **Patti Vaughn**, Fee Schedule Analysis, Idaho Industrial Commission, presented **Docket No. 17-0209-1502**. This rule clarifies how outpatient hospital procedures are to be paid in the presence or absence of Comprehensive Ambulatory Payment Classification codes including status indicator J1. The standard for reimbursement of rehabilitation hospitals will be changed to the same as other noncritical Access Hospitals.

In response to committee questions, **Patti Vaughn** clarified that this billing system would allow procedures to be bundled. For example, the primary procedure would be covered at 100%, and a subsequent procedure at 50%.

MOTION: **Rep. Rudolph** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 17-0209-1502**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
17-0209-1503:** **Patti Vaughn**, Fee Schedule Analysis, Idaho Industrial Commission, presented **Docket No. 17-0209-1503**. This Temporary Rule will delay the implementation of the 2015 Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Outpatient Prospective Payment System Ambulatory Payment Classification relative weights that became effective on January 1, 2015. By extending the use of the 2014 Outpatient Prospective Payment System, payments will remain stable while revisions are made to better align with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

MOTION: **Rep. Redman** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 17-0209-1503**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
38-0301-1501:** **Jennifer Pike**, Administrator, Office of Group Insurance, presented **Docket No. 38-0301-1501**. This rule revises the definition for eligible active employees, adds definitions for seasonal, part-time, and temporary employees, and removes the obsolete definition.

In response to committee questions, **Jennifer Pike** confirmed that by definition a seasonal employee is someone who works less than 6 months out of the year but has no hour restrictions while working.

MOTION: **Rep. Harris** made a motion to approve **Docket No. 38-0301-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

**DOCKET NO.
38-0501-1501:**

Sarah Hilderbrand, Administrator, Division of Purchasing, presented **Docket No. 38-0501-1501**. This rule provides a consistent definition for both terms, "purchasing authority", and "purchasing activity". The term "purchasing authority" is used in the rules revised by the 2015 Legislative Session. The term "purchasing activity" remains in the rules where revisions were not approved. This rule making blends the revised and unrevised rules by establishing a definition for both terms. This definition says Purchasing Activity or Authority is a division or an agency exercising authority based on a delegation of authority by the administrator or as provided under these rules to an individual within the division or agency to engage in the conduct of purchasing.

MOTION:

Rep. Romrell made a motion to approve **Docket No. 38-0501-1501**. **Motion carried by voice vote.**

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:01 p.m.

Representative Hartgen
Chair

Chelsea Cantrell
Secretary