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LEGISLATIVE BILL 1175

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Committee: Banking, Commerce and Insurance

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to insurance; to prohibit a health insurer
- 2 from removing a provider as an in-network provider under certain
- 3 circumstances; and to provide a civil cause of action.
- 4 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. (1) A health insurer in this state shall not remove a
2 provider as an in-network provider for only financial reasons if such
3 provider wishes to remain as an in-network provider and agrees to remain
4 in contract with such health insurer.

5 (2) If a provider is removed as an in-network provider by a health
6 insurer and such provider has a good faith belief that such provider was
7 removed as an in-network provider for only financial reasons, then such
8 provider or a patient of such provider who is negatively affected by the
9 removal of the provider as an in-network provider may, after attempting
10 to appeal the change with the health insurer, bring a civil action
11 against the insurer for damages caused by such removal.

12 (3) Nothing in this section shall be construed to interfere with
13 rights of health insurers and providers to negotiate contracts for
14 reimbursement rates.