GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA

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SENATE BILL 1155*

Short Title: Hospital Reimbursement.

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Sponsors: Senator Kerr.

Referred to: Pensions and Retirement/Insurance/State Personnel.

May 15, 1996

1	A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
2	AN ACT TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENT FOR HOSPITAL REIMBURSEMENT
3	IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION CASES.
4	The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:
5	Section 1. G.S. 97-26(b) reads as rewritten:
6	"(b) Hospital Fees Payment for medical compensation rendered by a hospital
7	participating in the State Plan. except as otherwise provided herein, shall be equal to
8	the payment the hospital receives for the same treatment and services under the State
9	Plan. Plan, provided that such payment with respect to inpatient hospital services shall
10	not be less than ninety percent (90%) nor more than one hundred percent (100%) of the
11	hospital's itemized charges as shown on the UB-92 claim form. A hospital's itemized
12	charges on the UB-92 claim form for workers' compensation services shall be the same as
13	itemized charges for like services for all other payors during the period from April 1,
14	<u>1996, through June 30, 1997.</u> Payment for a particular type of medical compensation that
15	is not covered under the State Plan shall be based on the allowable charge under the State
16	Plan for comparable services or treatment, as determined by the Commission. Each
17	hospital subject to the provisions of this subsection shall be reimbursed the amount
18	provided for in this subsection unless it has agreed under contract with the insurer or
19	insurer, managed care organization-organization, or employer to accept a different amount
20	or reimbursement methodology."

1 Sec. 2. This act becomes effective April 1, 1996, and applies to hospital 2 inpatient admissions occurring on or after that date. This act expires on June 30, 1997, 3 and its expiration applies to all hospital inpatient admissions occurring on or after that 4 date.