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AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS - 2025 REGULAR SESSION

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SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}

Date Prepared: 2/21/2025 *Check all that apply:*
Bill Number: HB402 Original Correction
 Amendment Substitute

Sponsor: <u>Representative Joshua N. Hernandez</u>	Agency Name and Code Number: <u>Office of Superintendent of Insurance - 440</u>
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SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26		
NA	NA		

(Parenthesis () indicate expenditure decreases)

REVENUE (dollars in thousands)

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY25	FY26	FY27		
NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

(Parenthesis () indicate revenue decreases)

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)

	FY25	FY26	FY27	3 Year Total Cost	Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
Total		140	140	280	Recurring	Salaries

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:
 Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

SECTION III: NARRATIVE

BILL SUMMARY

House Bill 402 (HB402) adds a new section to Article 23G, the Short-Term Health Plan and Excepted Benefit Act in the Insurance Code. The new section establishes a uniform and efficient provider credentialing process for a provider of a dental plan. The bill provides a time frame for approval or denial of a credentialing application and for loading an approved provider's information into a health insurance carrier's provider payment system. HB402 provides for reimbursement to a provider if certain time frames are not met.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

This legislation imposes credentialing requirements for dentists, including rulemaking to provide for a uniform and efficient provider credentialing process. This will require an additional staff member to handle dental credentialing reporting, compliance reviews and related complaints. The Estimated Additional Operating Budget Impact section reflects 2 full-time Compliance Officers-A, Pay Band 65, who will perform these functions.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

None.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

None.

CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP

None.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

The "provider" definition differs from the current definition in §59A-23G-12(A)(2) related to dental plan provider network leasing.

The bill does not establish any communication the insurer or insurer's agent must provide, such as a written notice to provider regarding approval or disapproval of the credentialing. This will need to be addressed through rulemaking.

OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES

None.

ALTERNATIVES

None.

WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILLs

Status quo, dental providers are not subject to current provider credentialing requirements.

AMENDMENTS

None.