

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

SB 822

Relating to provider networks

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Valderrama

SB 822 expands network adequacy requirements for health insurance carriers to ensure that coverage for reproductive health care is accessible to enrollees in a timely, appropriate, and culturally competent manner.

The measure directs the Department of Consumer and Business Services to establish standards for evaluating network adequacy. These standards must consider health professional shortage areas and geographic access to providers and specialists. The measure is expected to have a minimal fiscal impact.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends SB 822 be reported out do pass.