Sen. Hennessey, Dist 1 Sen. Soucy, Dist 18 May 17, 2021 2021-1529s 10/08

Floor Amendment to HB 479

1	Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:
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${3 \atop {4} \atop {5}}$	AN ACT relative to pharmacist provider status, nicotine cessation therapy, and pharmacy benefit manager requirements.
6	Amend the bill by replacing all after section 4 with the following:
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8	5 New Paragraph; Managed Care Law; Provider Contracts; Pharmacy Benefit Managers.
9	Amend RSA 420-J:8 by inserting after paragraph XVI the following new paragraph:
10	XVII. A pharmacy benefit manager shall not require accreditation of providers other than
11	accreditation requirements as adopted by the New Hampshire pharmacy board or by another state
12	or federal entity.
13	6 Prospective Repeal. RSA 420-J:8, XVII, relative to prohibiting pharmacy benefit managers to
14	require providers to obtain certain accreditation, is repealed.
15	7 Effective Date.
16	I. Section 6 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2025.
17	II. Sections 1-4 of this act shall take effect January 1, 2022.
18	III. The remainder of this act shall take effect upon its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill includes pharmacists as providers for certain covered services including Medicaid and authorizes pharmacists to provide nicotine cessation therapy pursuant to a standing order from a physician, physician assistant, or APRN and to be reimbursed under Medicaid. The bill also prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from requiring additional accreditation of health care providers.