

**AMENDMENT**

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TO: CSHB 144(HSS), Draft Version "N"

Page 2, line 19:

Delete "If"

Insert "Except as provided in (g) of this section, if"

Page 2, line 27, following "request":

Insert "under (b) of this section,"

Page 3, line 13, following "under":

Insert "(b) of"

Page 3, following line 15:

Insert new subsections to read:

"(g) The times specified in (b) of this section for notifying a health care provider of a decision do not apply to a health care provider that submits a prior authorization request for medical care to be provided on equipment owned by the health care provider, the facility where the health care provider is employed, or an entity affiliated with the facility where the health care provider is employed.

(h) The provisions of (g) of this section do not apply to a prior authorization request submitted by a health care provider employed by a hospital licensed in this state."