

SENATE BILL No. 175

By Committee on Federal and State Affairs

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9 AN ACT concerning health insurance; relating to assignment of insur-
10 ance payments for covered services.

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12 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

13 Section 1. This act shall be known as the expanded access to health
14 care act.

15 Sec. 2. All policies and certificates providing benefits for medical
16 care issued on or after July 1, 2007, must contain a provision permitting
17 the insured to assign benefits for such care to the provider of the care.
18 An assignment of benefits under this section does not affect or limit the
19 payment of benefits otherwise payable under the policy or certificate.

20 Sec. 3. When any insurance entity has notice of such assignment
21 prior to such payment, any payment to the insured shall not release such
22 entity from liability to the provider to which the benefits have been as-
23 signed, nor shall such payment be a defense to any action by the provider
24 against that entity to collect the assigned benefits.

25 Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
26 publication in the statute book.