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EXPLANATION OF CHANGES TO SENATE BILL 32

The Senate Health and Social Services Committee adopted a Committee Substitute for Senate Bill 32 that made the following changes to the bill as originally drafted:

- 1) Section 1 – page 1 line 5 through page 2 line 18
 - a. Moves the language into a new section of statute, AS 47.07.069. The original bill amended AS 47.07.070 and AS 47.07.074.
- 2) Section 1 – page 1 lines 5-11
 - a. Adds personal care services and assisted living homes for needy and vulnerable adults to the services receiving the rate review process. As drafted, the bill only covered home and community based services provided through a Medicaid waiver.
- 3) Section 1 – page 2 lines 10-12
 - a. Adds the home health agency inflation rate to the rate review process. The original based the rates solely on cost.
- 4) Sections 2 and 3 – page 2 line 19 through page 3 line 11
 - a. Conforming language to amend statutes regarding assisted living homes for needy and vulnerable adults.
- 5) Sections 4 and 5 – Page 3 lines 12-27
 - a. Creates a report to the Legislature detailing trends in rates based on the review process in the bill, and sunset that report in 2014.
- 6) Section 6 – page 3 line 28
 - a. Calls for a two-year delayed effective date. The original bill had no effective date.