

AMENDMENT # 1

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1 Page 1, line 3:

2 Delete "relating to unfair trade practices;"

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4 Page 2, line 12:

5 Delete "cancellation"

6 Insert "termination"

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8 Page 2, line 22, following "information;":

9 Insert "and"

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11 Page 2, line 25:

12 Delete "; and"

13 Insert "."

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15 Page 2, lines 26 - 28:

16 Delete all material.

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18 Page 2, following line 30:

19 Insert new subsections to read:

20 "(d) A health care provider or health care business may not decline to enter
21 into a direct health care agreement with a new patient or terminate a direct health care
22 agreement with an existing patient solely because of the patient's race, religion, color,
23 national origin, age, sex, physical or mental disability, marital status, change in marital

1 status, pregnancy, parenthood, or any other characteristic of a class of persons
2 protected by a state law that prohibits discrimination.

3 (e) A health care provider or health care business may decline to enter into a
4 direct health care agreement with a new patient if the health care provider or health
5 care business

6 (1) is unable to provide to the patient the health care services the
7 patient requires; or

8 (2) does not have the capacity to accept new patients.

9 (f) A health care provider or health care business may terminate a direct health
10 care agreement with an existing patient based on the patient's health status only if the
11 health care provider is unable to provide to the patient the health care services the
12 patient requires or in accordance with this section."
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14 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

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16 Page 3, line 29:

17 Delete "and in AS 45.45.915"

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19 Page 4, line 4:

20 Delete "(d)"

21 Insert "(g)"

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23 Page 4, line 6:

24 Delete "(g) or (h)"

25 Insert "(j) or (k)"

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27 Page 4, lines 20 - 23:

28 Delete all material.

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30 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

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1 Page 5, following line 3:

2 Insert a new subsection to read:

3 "(q) A health care provider or health care business may not make, publish,
4 disseminate, circulate, broadcast, or place before the public, or cause, directly or
5 indirectly, to be made, published, disseminated, circulated, broadcast, or placed before
6 the public, in a newspaper, magazine, or other publication, or in the form of a notice,
7 circular, pamphlet, letter, or poster, or over a radio or television station, or in any other
8 way, an advertisement, announcement, or statement containing an assertion,
9 representation, or statement that is untrue, deceptive, or misleading with respect to

10 (1) the terms of or the benefits or advantages provided by a direct
11 health care agreement;

12 (2) the characterization of a direct health care agreement, including the
13 characterization of a direct health care agreement as health insurance or an alternative
14 to health insurance;

15 (3) the business of a direct health care agreement."
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17 Reletter the following subsections accordingly.

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19 Page 5, line 14:

20 Delete "and"

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22 Page 5, line 16, following "agreement":

23 Insert "; and

24 (3) suspend or revoke the business registration of a health care
25 provider or health care business for repeat violations"

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27 Page 6, line 12, through page 7, line 20:

28 Delete all material.

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30 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

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1 Page 7, line 27:

2 Delete "Section 4"

3 Insert "Section 2"

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5 Page 7, line 28:

6 Delete "sec. 5"

7 Insert "sec. 3"

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9 Page 7, line 28:

10 Delete "September 1, 2023"

11 Insert "January 1, 2024"