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Amendments to House Bill No. 738
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Requested by Representative Scott Mendenhall

For the House Business and Labor Committee

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1. Title, line 7 through line 8.
Strike: "WEIGHTED" on line 7 through "INSURERS" on line 8
Insert: "AVERAGE OF THE CONVERSION FACTORS USED BY THE TOP FIVE INSURERS OR THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATORS"

2. Page 2, line 1.
Following: the second "within"
Strike: "2"
Insert: "5"

3. Page 2, line 4.
Strike: "2"
Insert: "5"

4. Page 2, following line 5.
Insert: "(c) The time period for closure of a claim provided for in subsection (3)(a) or (3)(b) is tolled while there is a dispute regarding whether benefits are due under the claim if a party to the dispute has requested mediation pursuant to department rules. The tolling of the time period continues until the 2-year limitation period of 39-71-2905 expires or there is a final judicial decision regarding the dispute, whichever is later. However, the tolling of the time period ceases if the parties otherwise resolve the dispute."

5. Page 2, line 13.
Following: "court."
Insert: "A claimant must be given 60 days' notice prior to the termination of a claim or benefits under this chapter."

6. Page 4, line 25.
Following: "insurer"
Strike: "is"
Insert: "and an injured worker are"

7. Page 4, line 15.
Strike: "weighted average of the reimbursement rate used by domestic insurers"
Insert: "average of the conversion factors used by the top five

insurers or third-party administrators"

8. Page 4, line 16.
Following: "services."
Insert: "The top five insurers or third-party administrators shall provide their standard conversion rates to the department. The department may use the conversion rates only for the purpose of determining average conversion rates under this subsection (2), and the department shall maintain the confidentiality of the conversion rates."

9. Page 7, line 4.
Following: "Applicability."
Insert: "(1)"
Following: "39-71-704(1)(f)"
Insert: "and (3)"

10. Page 7, following line 5.
Insert: "(2) Section 39-71-704(2) applies to medical services furnished on or after July 1, 2007."

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