

## SENATE BILL No. 166

By Committee on Financial Institutions and Insurance

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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. (a) No health benefit plan which is delivered, issued for  
14 delivery, amended or renewed by a health insurer on or after July 1, 2005,  
15 shall contain any provision or term which limits or restricts the right of  
16 the insured under such health benefit plan to assign payment of the in-  
17 sured's benefits to any provider, whether or not such provider is a par-  
18 ticipating provider, who provides covered health care or dental services  
19 to the insured.

20 (b) The assignment of benefits under this section shall not limit or  
21 affect the payment of benefits otherwise payable under such health ben-  
22 efit plan.

23 (c) For the purposes of this act:

24 (1) "Health benefit plan" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in  
25 K.S.A. 40-4602 and amendments thereto.

26 (2) "Health insurer" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A.  
27 40-4602 and amendments thereto.

28 (3) "Participating provider" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in  
29 K.S.A. 40-4602 and amendments thereto.

30 (4) "Provider" shall have the meaning ascribed to it in K.S.A. 40-4602  
31 and amendments thereto. Provider shall also include any dentist licensed  
32 by the Kansas dental board.

33 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its  
34 publication in the statute book.