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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 354, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to physician contracts with managed care entities.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 354, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 354.742, to read as follows:

354.742. 1. The department of health shall make and submit to the general assembly on or before January thirty-first in each odd-numbered year a report detailing the type of provisions contained in employment contracts entered into between managed care entities and nurses (registered nurses and licensed practical nurses). Such report shall specifically contain information on any contractual provisions regarding staffing and ratios, or financial incentives or other restrictions directly related to the availability of or preference for particular medical treatment options.

2. The department may promulgate rules necessary to implement the provisions of this section, including rules related to the collection of employment contract information from managed care entities. No rule or portion of a rule promulgated pursuant to the authority of this section shall become effective unless it has been promulgated pursuant to chapter 536, RSMo.

3. Any managed care entity that does not fully comply with the department of health rules promulgated pursuant to this section shall be referred to the attorney general for sanctions as provided by law.