HB 551 -- REIMBURSEMENT FOR PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS

SPONSOR: Fitzpatrick

This bill specifies that during the 2016 fiscal year, primary care physicians providing Medicaid services must be reimbursed at the same rate as those providing Medicare services, subject to appropriation.

By January 1, 2016, the MO HealthNet Division is required to contract with a private vendor to verify that eligibility requirements are being met by Medicaid recipients. The division will retain final determination of eligibility. The division and the contractor are required to file a quarterly report with the Governor and the General Assembly regarding the work of the contractor.