HB 2811 -- OUT-OF-NETWORK BILLING FOR PHYSICIAN SERVICES

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This bill requires any facility-based physician licensed in Missouri who bills a patient covered by a health benefit plan that does not have a contract with the facility-based physician to send a billing statement to the patient that contains a plain-language explanation of the medication process available under the provisions of the bill if the amount for which the patient is responsible to the physician after co-payments, deductibles, and coinsurance, is greater than \$500. A patient may request mediation of a settlement of an out-of-network health benefit claim if the amount for which the patient is responsible, as specified in the bill, is greater than \$500 and the health benefit claim is for a health care service or supply provided by a facility-based physician in a hospital that is a preferred provider or that has a contract with the health benefit plan.