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Please support HB530.			



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Health care costs will go down if patients can get procedures in an outpatient setting the same as in a hospital etc. The incentive for patients to go to high cost hospitals, radiology centers etc. will be lessened if they can get the same procedures in private Doctors office (x-rays, physio therapy modalities, spinal manipulation, etc.).



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I am in Support of this Bill on its Face. This Bill still needs some Austments and Amendments to ensure that the Bill is pure and on target in not providing any discriminating activities of participation in Health Insurance Plans being offered.



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WITNESS NAME: BRIAN GRAY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As a chiropractic physician, I was the only chiropractic provider in the US treating workers onsite at a Ford Motor Company plant. I was the first chiropractic provider to be appointed as an assistant medical director of a major insurance company, (GHP, which became Coventry and is now Aetna). I was the only chiropractor to ever be on staff at the 15,000 members Labor and Health Institutes' medical facility. In addition to private practice, I am a medical fraud investigator working with federal, state and private organizations. My practice is 95% medical referral from medical providers who want their patients to have the most cost-effective care possible. This is all to say that over my 33 years in practice I have seen first-hand, from different aspects, the cost savings that chiropractic management allows. However, the current reimbursement rates and lack of decades long cost of living increase has made providing proper care to those patients impossible. Patients are being referred out of my office for expensive testing and care because I simply cannot afford to treat them at the present reimbursement rates. We are not creating patients. We are not creating office procedures or new office codes. We simply wish to be reimbursed at the same rates as other providers who are delivering the same code. Thank you for your consideration on this matter. Dr. Brian J. Gray, BS, DC



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WITNESS NAME: CHELSEY AITKEN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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HB530 seeks to codify Section 2706 of the ACA into Missouri law. Section 2706 prohibits a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group or individual health insurance coverage from discriminating with respect to participation and reimbursement against any health care provider who is acting within the scope of that provider's license or certification under State law.



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WITNESS NAME: CHRISTOPHER J MAFFIT		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I am reaching out in support of this bill allowing for healthcare providers to be reimbursed for all services provided under their scope of practice within the construct of their professional practice license without prejudice or discriminations.



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WITNESS NAME: DIMITRIOS THEOHARIDIS		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I support this bill as a doctor of chiropractic. This bill will level the playing field for the services we provide that is the same as other doctors/providers. We should be paid the same and NOT less for services that are equal to other providers. We have been train to provide level of services either equally or greater in many instances. We are already getting held to the same standard and therefore need to be paid equally and fairly. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: DR JACK D CROCKER		PHONE NUMBER: 417-664-0700	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: CROCKER CHIROPRACTIC LLC		TITLE: OWNER	
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**My Profession only wants to be on equal ground with other profession when billing for same services.
It is not fair we are always cut and paid less for the same services**



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WITNESS NAME: DR JENNIFER AMUNDSON		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: Dr.J.Amundson@hotmail.com	ATTENDANCE: Written		SUBMIT DATE: 2/22/2025 10:58 AM
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Dear Representative Hausman, I am a practicing Doctor of Chiropractic for over 25 years. In this time I have been a small business owner in Missouri helping to provide health care through a model that not only addresses issues with skeletal system but also because I am a doctor, addressing the chronic health concerns of my patients. The reimbursement rates for a Doctor of Osteopathy for the same number of regions being manipulated, the same treatment a Doctor of Chiropractic would do, the reimbursement rate is 2-3 times more for the Doctor of Osteopathic. Examination rates are also 2-3 times more for the Allopathic profession for the same examination requirements we do as a Doctor of Chiropractic. In my professional opinion and experience as a small business owner, the reimbursement issue, inflation issues, leads us to to choose between providing a 1 hour new patient exam with subpar reimbursement rate or see 5-6 patients in that hour because of the reimbursement helps to meet our business operating expenses. This choice now, in my opinion and experience, begins to block patient care accessibility and time allowed for treatment. Patient care is suffering. Please support our House Bill 530



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WITNESS NAME: DR JEREMY D KOBLER DC		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I as a providing physician in the state of Missouri am in support of this bill. Our profession all too often does NOT get reimbursed for the services that we provide to our patients, services which I may add are more often than not far more effective and healthier form of care provided than allopathic western medicine provides. This is done with limited to no side effects unlike those of which pharmaceutical treatments are often greater and more harmful side effects than the actual ailment which are covered 100%. It is time to stop these insurance and drug companies from colluding and making policies in which only they profit, the patients that they are supposed to provide coverage for are denied the care that helps them the most so that the insurance and drug companies can make more profits for themselves.



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WITNESS NAME: DR. KEVIN TUCKER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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To The Missouri House of Representative:I am a chiropractor in Blue Springs Missouri. This bill is of great importance for health care outcomes in Missouri. All I am asking for is equal pay for the same service and not medical corporations setting my fees that Doctors of Chiropractic have no say or control over. I'm afraid for health care that there will be no more physicians to treat patients. They will be out of business leaving people with no alternatives of their choosing. No choice- no patients first act. - Equal pay for same service (exams, xray, therapies, adjustments) when a Doctor of Osteopathy get paid more for a "manipulations" not a specific adjustment. When a Doctor of Chiropractic has more education for the degree than Medical Doctors and Doctors of Osteopathy in anatomy, physiology, examination, treating, and diagnosis. -Doctors of chiropractic have to maintain the same standards of record keeping than medical doctors and are paid less. Thank you,Dr Kevin Tucker



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WITNESS NAME: DR. MORGAN MORRIS		PHONE NUMBER: 314-664-3200	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: GRAND CHIROPRACTIC		TITLE: DOCTOR	
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I wanted to voice my thoughts on this upcoming bill. We as chiropractors would really appreciate having equal opportunity to help our patients in our communities. It can be burdensome to patients who are trying nature ways to deal with their pain not be able to have access to chiropractic care due to the burden of cost because an insurance company won't pay for it because we are DC instead of MD. You would expect when going to a medical professional they do an examination and intake before treatment and if you walk into one office and it's paid and walk into another and it's not, it can make finding what is best for your health more difficult. Chiropractors save money in the healthcare system, money that could be used for other programs around the state. Thank you for your time.



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WITNESS NAME: HEIDI LUCAS		PHONE NUMBER: 573-616-2740	
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WITNESS NAME: JAMES C. GRAY		PHONE NUMBER:	
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EMAIL: drgray7@comcast.net	ATTENDANCE: Written		SUBMIT DATE: 2/23/2025 8:15 AM
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This bill will allow my patients increased access to primary care that is difficult to obtain in a timely manner and is often costly. The lack of primary care providers in the state is one of the biggest barriers that costs patients lost time from work and increased healthcare expenses. This bill will match federal law that mandates parity in reimbursement regardless of practitioner. In other words, health care providers will no longer be discriminated against based on what type of physician they are. Reimbursement should be equal across the board and based on the service provided, the level of decision-making required, and the legal liability associated with recommending and providing that service... regardless of the credentials behind each doctor's name. As current Missouri law stands, insurance companies are allowed to discriminate against certain providers by reimbursing them less when providing the same services. This makes providing those services untenable for many providers. In addition, this bill will end up saving money for the State of Missouri and its citizens/patients. Increased access to care will lead to faster service, earlier detection and treatment of illness, which will decrease overall healthcare costs. This will decrease the use and need for medications such as opioids and advanced pain management. This will in turn lead to better treatment outcomes, a healthier populace, and fewer health care expenses for your constituents. Please support this bill and approve it for passage.



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WITNESS NAME: JAMES JORGENSEN, D.C.		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I have been in practice for almost 39 years and have always felt cheated by insurance companies for being reimbursed a lesser amount for the same services as an MD or DO. It's past time for that to change!



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To the Members of the House Insurance Committee, My name is Dr. Jeffrey O'Guin, and I am a practicing chiropractor in Missouri. I graduated from Logan College of Chiropractic in 2008, after spending over eight years in secondary education. During my training, I learned not only chiropractic care but also physical therapy and rehabilitation—because these treatments are meant to work together. However, I was shocked to learn that insurance companies routinely refuse to reimburse chiropractors for providing physical therapy and rehabilitation services, despite our extensive training in these areas. The research is overwhelmingly clear: a combination of chiropractic care, myofascial release, and physical rehabilitation yields the best outcomes for pain management and musculoskeletal conditions. Yet, chiropractors are forced into an impossible position—either providing essential treatments for free to achieve the best patient outcomes or limiting their care due to unfair reimbursement policies. It is also unreasonable that chiropractors graduate with hundreds of thousands of dollars in student loan debt, only to be told that they can only get paid for a fraction of what they were trained to do. This discrimination not only limits patient access to high-quality, evidence-based care but also discourages future practitioners from entering the field. I strongly urge you to support HB530 to ensure fair reimbursement for licensed healthcare providers, prevent insurance discrimination, and ultimately improve patient care in Missouri. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Dr. Jeffrey O'Guin, D.C. Embody Performance & Recovery



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WITNESS NAME: JILL NELSON		PHONE NUMBER: 815-588-1110	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: BACK TO HEALTH		TITLE: DR	
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I have been waiting 20+ yrs for equal pay. I am 54 yo and just paid off student loans from the 90s. We cannot charge patients a dual fee schedule. If that is illegal then payi g diff groups of doctors differently for the same CPT code should also be illegal



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WITNESS NAME: JOSH SONSIADDEK, DC		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As chiropractors, we are given great responsibility, but the insurance companies won't pay us the equivalent of that responsibility. In 25 yrs of practice, insurance companies have figured out a way to pay us less instead of more. We are required to submit forms that make little clinical sense, and then we are insulted with minimal reimbursement. Make it make sense. Poor reimbursement forces us to spend less time with our patients, which is not good for case management. Chiropractors have overhead, student loans, and continuing education expenses. None of these things are calculated into our reimbursement. But yet if a home owners insurance or automobile insurance is required to pay a bill they must specifically calculate those expenses into the claim which is paid out to a roofing company or auto body shop respectively. Why is healthcare coverage treated so much differently? This is one of the reasons why Drs are amongst the highest in loan defaults. You, the politicians have fought to keep student loans from being forgiven, but have not taken the necessary steps to passing bills that would make it easier for the Dr to pay back their obligations. Also unfair reimbursement rates hurt the patient more than anyone. Drs are forced to make decisions based more on finances rather than what's in the pts best interest. All we are asking for is to be paid for what the market requires. Getting reimbursed \$14 for nonsensical pre-authorization forms, which actually cost the business 5 times to complete, is an insult to the profession, the Dr, and the patients.



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WITNESS NAME: KYNA IMAN		PHONE NUMBER: 314-651-1185	
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WITNESS NAME: LYNETTE R. MAYFIELD, D.C.		PHONE NUMBER:	
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As a chiropractic physician in Missouri, I support the legislation to prohibit a group health plan, and a health insurance issuer offering group or individual health insurance coverage from discriminating with respect to participation and reimbursement against any health care provider who is acting within the scope of that provider's license or certification under State law.



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All providers should be reimbursed and not be discriminated against for procedures that they are licensed to perform



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WITNESS NAME: MARK ROLAND DITZENBERGER		PHONE NUMBER:	
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In support of HB 530 to give more patients access to my services as a chiropractor. Chiropractic is a cost effective way to treat pain, musculoskeletal conditions, and other physical ailments, not just spinal injuries. I have the ability to also treat certain conditions of shoulder, elbow, knee, and ankle. HB 530 will continue to allow chiropractors to continue to treat the population that suffer from these condition. Treating back and extremity pain is one of the major reasons people seek any type of physicians health. Allowing chiropractors to see these types of patients will free up general practitioners to see things they treat more (colds, illnesses, etc.) Less of their time will tied up with musculoskeletal complaints, which are usually treated by them by medication and/or referral. Treatment decisions should be made between the patient and the doctor. Many times decisions have to be made based on patient's insurance coverage, not paying for certain tests or therapies. House Bill 530 should level the playing to help ensure the provider gets paid equally for the same services, helping ensure the patients get what they need.



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WITNESS NAME: MATT BERMAN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: MELISSA SMITH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I strongly support this bill. Thank you.



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WITNESS NAME: MICHELLE CZMOWSKI, RHIT		PHONE NUMBER: 314-677-4550	
BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: ALL IN ONE PAYROLL AND BILLING		TITLE:	
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I am in support of reimbursement being fair and equal regardless of provider specialty or licensure. If the services/procedures provided to the patient are within the scope of practice, the allowed rate for those services/procedures should not be influenced by arbitrary factors at the discretion of the health plan.



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WITNESS NAME: MIKE MUNRO DC		PHONE NUMBER:	
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CITY:		STATE:	ZIP:
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I should be able to perform the codes that are covered under my scope of practice and get paid, by insurance, equally as other providers who use those same codes.



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This bill covers what is already in the Public Health Service Act (PHS), which established federal non-discrimination protections for providers (section 2706). It has been in federal law for 14 years and has yet to be enforced. Without this enforcement patients cannot access covered services from the provider of their choice that are licensed and certified in this state. The provisions in Section 2706 of the Public Health Services Act also prohibit discrimination regarding reimbursement based on license type. Providers would be paid the same for the same services within their scope of practice. This bill seeks to reinforce Section 2706 in state law to address insurers' suppressing subscriber utilization by limiting their access to covered services. This concept was important enough 14 years ago for congress to include it in the wording of the Public Health Service Act. However, no one has been willing to enforce the law. With this in both Missouri law and federal law, then it will hopefully end the blatant discrimination in both available services and pay for those services.



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WITNESS NAME: PAUL SPAHN		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Honorable Legislators,I would like to ask for your support of HB530. I am a Chiropractic Physician of about 40 years. HB530 seeks to codify Section 2706 of the American Chiropractic Association into Missouri law. The HB530 profits a group health plan, and a health insurance insurer offering group or individual health coverage from discriminating with respect to participation and reimbursement against any health care provider who is acting within the scope of that provider's license or certification under State law. Chiropractors across the State of Missouri go into work each week to help citizens of Missouri improve their health through holistic methods, education and restoration of proper body mechanical function. Hands on Chiropractic care and education for the relief of pain helps to lessen the pharmaceutical dependence of patients. This bill would help ensure equal treatment and reimbursement of services provided by providers in the State of Missouri. Quality care has many costs associated with it for the provider. All I am asking is that you support a bill that will level the playing field across healthcare providers to help ensure highly educated Missourians to chose all areas of healthcare in the State of Missouri. Thank you for your support. Sincerely,Dr. Paul Spahn



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WITNESS NAME: ROBERT "BO" ANDEL		PHONE NUMBER:	
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Care is care and time is time. Myself and other(not all) chiropractic providers manage/treat musculoskeletal conditions as good as any other specialty. I have personally removed myself from several insurance programs because their reimbursements do not cover overhead. Chiropractic may not be your 1st choice but it is the first choice of many. Support of this bill helps assure we all have choices regarding our health care.



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WITNESS NAME: ROBERT E NEUWIRTH		PHONE NUMBER:	
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WITNESS NAME: TIM BAYLARD DC		PHONE NUMBER:	
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I've been a practicing chiropractor for 17 years in the state of Missouri. Since that time there is never been a rate increase for Chiropractic. The cost of doing business and the cost of living has increased exponentially. And even at a very rapid rate since Covid. The increased cost of living, the increase in taxes, and the stagnant reimbursement rate is making it very hard to stay in business and have a nice quality of life. Being an insurance provider should be a win-win situation for both parties. The insurance companies are able to entice the public to their plans with the additional benefits they offer. Chiropractors get into networks so they can see more patients. More more chiropractors are leaving the networks due to poor reimbursement rates. This leaves an increase in out-of-pocket expenses for the Missouri constituents. When the affordable care act was past, the insurance company promised better pay for chiropractors. They have been breaking that long since its inception. They have been an increase in out-of-pocket expenses for the Missouri constituents. When the affordable care act was past, the insurance company promised better pay for chiropractors. They have been breaking that law since it's inception. They have been breaking that law in multiple states which makes this a class action lawsuit. I asked all the state representatives. How would you like to work for a company? Who promised you a raise but never gave it?



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WITNESS NAME: DUSTIN BACKES		PHONE NUMBER: 573-694-1010	
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Pharmacies are integral to improving health outcomes and are valued partners of health plans and pharmacy benefit managers (PBMs). The right mix of retail, home delivery, and specialty pharmacies in a plan's network is critical to providing an accessible health care benefit. However, restrictions on network design—like those that require plans to accept any pharmacy in a network and laws that prohibit incentives for patients to choose lower-cost or home delivery pharmacies—fail patients and employers by forcing them to pay more.



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WITNESS NAME: HAMPTON WILLIAMS		PHONE NUMBER: 417-793-0673	
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WITNESS NAME: JACOB SCOTT		PHONE NUMBER:	
REPRESENTING: MISSOURI STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION; MISSOURI ASSOCIATION OF OSTEOPATHIC PHYSICIANS AND SURGEONS		TITLE:	
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The Missouri Psychological Association sees merit in HB530 but would like to suggest a crucial amendment to it to better guarantee that future access to doctoral-level behavioral health services is not harmed. There is a sound argument for uniform reimbursement for identical healthcare services; however, Medicare takes a refined approach by recognizing differences in educational levels among providers. For instance, providers with doctoral degrees, who have invested substantial time in their education and have gained extensive expertise, receive higher reimbursement rates than those with less education. Logically, providers with equivalent education should receive identical reimbursement when delivering similar care for the same types of issues. Under Medicare and Missouri Medicaid, doctoral-level psychologists and psychiatrists are reimbursed equally for similar time-based codes. Similarly, master's-level providers from different fields, such as social work and licensed professional counselors (LPCs), should also receive equitable compensation when they provide comparable services within their professional scope, in comparison to each other. It is essential to refrain from standardizing reimbursement rates between master's and doctoral-level providers. Implementing such a policy would drastically reduce the motivation for healthcare professionals to seek higher education. This could impede the progression of educational levels within our healthcare sectors, which is vital for increasing expertise and enhancing the quality of patient care outcomes. Language that could be used to amend HB530: (2) All health care providers with equivalent educational degrees shall be reimbursed at the same rate for the same service as long as such service is within the provider's scope of practice.