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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 460, L.D. 1100, “An Act to Clarify the Requirements for Accessing Nonformulary Drugs and Drugs Used to Treat Serious Mental Illness”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2-C in the 6th line (page 1, line 9 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "unavailable" the following: 'and there is no equivalent formulary drug available'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2-C in the 7th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "drug for" and inserting the following: 'drug prescribed to assess and treat the enrollee's serious mental illness for'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 2-C in the 7th line (page 1, line 10 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "that the" and inserting the following: 'that a'

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment clarifies that a carrier must approve a prior authorization for an equivalent nonformulary drug that has been prescribed for the treatment of an enrollee's serious mental illness if there is a shortage of the formulary drug and there is no equivalent drug available on the carrier's formulary.

FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED

(See attached)

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT