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**HOUSE BILL 140  
Committee Substitute Favorable 3/28/17**

Short Title: Dental Plans Provider Contracts/Transparency.

(Public)

Sponsors:

Referred to:

February 22, 2017

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT TO APPLY DISCLOSURE AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS RELATED  
3 TO INSURER FEE SCHEDULES, CLAIMS SUBMISSION, AND REIMBURSEMENT  
4 POLICIES TO STAND ALONE DENTAL INSURANCE.

5 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

6 **SECTION 1.** G.S. 58-3-227(a) reads as rewritten:

7 "**§ 58-3-227. Health plans fee schedules.**

8 (a) Definitions. – As used in this section, the following terms mean:

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10 (4) Insurer. – An entity that writes a health benefit plan and that is an insurance  
11 company subject to this Chapter, a service corporation under Article 65 of  
12 this Chapter, a health maintenance organization under Article 67 of this  
13 Chapter, or a multiple employer welfare arrangement under Article 49 of this  
14 Chapter, ~~except it does not include an entity that writes stand alone dental~~  
15 ~~insurance.~~ Chapter.

16 (5) Reimbursement policy. – Information relating to payment of providers and  
17 facilities including policies on the following:

18 a. Claims bundling and other claims editing processes.

19 b. Recognition or nonrecognition of CPT code modifiers.

20 c. Downcoding of services or procedures.

21 d. The definition of global surgery periods.

22 e. Multiple surgical procedures.

23 f. Payment based on the relationship of procedure code to diagnosis  
24 code.

25 (6) Schedule of fees. – CPT, HCPCS, ICD-9-CM codes, ICD-10-CM codes,  
26 ASA codes, modifiers, and other applicable codes for the procedures billed  
27 for that class of provider."

28 **SECTION 2.** This act becomes effective October 1, 2017.

