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TO: All Senators

FROM: Senator Dave Argall *DA*

DATE: January 24, 2012

SUBJECT: Retroactive Review Legislation

In the near future I will be introducing legislation that would protect health care providers from post-payment reviews by limiting insurance companies' ability to retroactively deny reimbursement. In some cases, these reviews are conducted by insurers four years from the date of the claim being submitted to an insurance carrier.

This legislation would:

- Protect providers from post-payment reviews by requiring insurance carriers to review treatment plans, claim forms and billing statements within a reasonable amount of time.
- Specify that an insurer may only retroactively deny reimbursement during a twelve-month period after the date the insurer paid the health care provider.
- Require a written statement from the insurer specifying the basis for retroactive denial.

If you would like to co-sponsor this legislation, please contact Susan Bentzel in my office at 7-2637 or at sbentzel@pasen.gov.