



FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**SB 546-FN**, relative to health carrier network access monitoring.

Interim Study, Vote 5-0.

Senator Regina Birdsell for the committee.

This bill requires health insurance carriers to adhere to the same standards of timeliness and accessibility that they have to adhere to on the health benefit exchange. The bill directs carriers to adopt network access compliance protocols consistent with the secret shopper audit requirements established by CMS for qualified health plan issuers. In anticipation of rulemaking from the Insurance Department, the Committee believes it is best to refer this bill to interim study at this time.