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HOUSE BILL 2503

AN ACT

PROVIDING FOR A REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE ARIZONA HEALTH CARE COST
CONTAINMENT SYSTEM ADMINISTRATION ON DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Durable medical equipment; Arizona health care cost
3 containment system; report; definition

4 A. On or before November 15, 2008, the director of the Arizona health
5 care cost containment system administration shall submit a written report to
6 the governor, the president of the senate and the speaker of the house of
7 representatives that contains the following information as it relates to
8 persons who receive services pursuant to title 36, chapter 29, articles 1 and
9 2, Arizona Revised Statutes:

10 1. A list of providers of durable medical equipment that have
11 contracts with the administration or with the administration's contracted
12 insurance plans.

13 2. The number of enrolled members who are receiving durable medical
14 equipment and the cost by purchase, rental and maintenance.

15 3. The number of persons who use a wheelchair that is made available
16 to them through their enrollment in the system.

17 4. The number and outcomes of grievances that are filed with the
18 administration and its contracted health plans that relate to the purchase,
19 repair and rental of durable medical equipment both overall and that
20 specifically relate to wheelchairs.

21 B. For the purposes of this section, "durable medical equipment" means
22 any medical device that can be used in a residential setting and includes any
23 equipment that provides therapeutic benefits or enables the consumer to
24 perform certain tasks the consumer is otherwise unable to undertake due to
25 certain medical conditions, disabilities or illnesses. Durable medical
26 equipment does not include prosthetics, splints, braces or aids that are
27 custom fabricated by a licensed health care provider.

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