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1 AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 1630

2 AMENDMENT NO. _____. Amend Senate Bill 1630 on page 3,
3 immediately below line 25, by inserting:

4 "(i) This Section does not prohibit a referring physician
5 who takes a patient specimen from charging a patient or a payer
6 an acquisition or processing charge when:

7 (a) the charge is limited to actual costs incurred for
8 specimen collection and transportation;

9 (b) the charge is separately coded or denoted as a
10 service distinct from the performance of the anatomic
11 pathology service, in conformance with the coding policies
12 of the American Medical Association; and

13 (c) the patient, if billed, is notified in advance of
14 the charge.

15 (j) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to prohibit
16 a referring physician from sending a patient's specimen to any
17 laboratory providing anatomic pathology services."; and

1 on page 6, immediately below line 22, by inserting:

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3 who takes a patient specimen from charging a patient or a payer
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14 a referring physician from sending a patient's specimen to any
15 laboratory providing anatomic pathology services."