HB 2477 -- PREDETERMINATION OF HEALTH CARE BENEFITS

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This bill requires health benefit plans that receive electronic health care predetermination requests from health care providers to provide the requesting health care provider information on the amounts of expected benefits coverage on the procedures specified in the request. The bill also requires health care providers and health benefit plans to comply with defined administrative simplification procedures when submitting and replying to health care predetermination requests. The bill requires a health benefit plan's response to be returned in the same manner as the request was received and prohibits collection of any payment prior to or as a condition of receiving the health benefit services that are the subject of a health care predetermination request unless the practice is not prohibited by the provider agreement with the health benefit plan.

This bill is similar to SB 1023 (2016).