

House Finance, Ways, and Means Committee 1

Amendment No. 2 to HB1175

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Signature of Sponsor**

AMEND Senate Bill No. 1469

House Bill No. 1175*

by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

(a) The bureau of TennCare shall reimburse an ambulance service provider that provides a covered service to a TennCare recipient at a rate not less than the federal medicare program's allowable charge for participating providers. This subsection (a) applies only to covered services provided on or after the effective date of this act and prior to July 1, 2021. Any increased reimbursement expenditures resulting from the rate change under this subsection (a) must be paid from the bureau of TennCare's reserve funds.

(b) For purposes of this section, "ambulance service provider" means a public or private ground-based ambulance service that bills for transports and has a base of operations in this state.

(c) This section does not affect the Ground Ambulance Service Provider Assessment Act, compiled under part 15 of this chapter. Funds described under this section and part 15 of this chapter may not be used to fund the other.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.