Amend reengrossed bill, page 12, strike line 27.

Page 13, strike lines 1 through 13 and substitute:

"(c) Within thirty days after the Commissioner appoints an arbitrator and notifies the parties of the arbitration, both parties shall submit to the arbitrator, in writing, each party’s final offer and each party’s argument. The arbitrator shall pick one of the two amounts submitted by the parties as the arbitrator’s final and binding decision. The decision must be in writing and made within forty-five days after the arbitrator’s appointment. In making the decision, the arbitrator shall consider the circumstances and complexity of the particular case, including the following areas:

(I) The provider’s level of training, education, experience, and specialization or subspecialization; and

(II) The previously contracted rate, if the provider had a contract with the carrier that was terminated or expired within one year prior to the dispute."

Page 13, strike lines 17 and 18 and substitute:

"(e) The party whose final offer amount was not selected by the arbitrator shall pay the arbitrator’s expenses and fees."