A Joint Resolution relating to workers' compensation; approving certain fee schedule; directing distribution; providing an effective date; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, paragraph 14 of subsection H of Section 50 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes requires the Workers' Compensation Commission to evaluate the Fee Schedule for maximum rates paid for reimbursement to medical providers and adopt updates or adjustments; and

WHEREAS, paragraph 14 of subsection H of Section 50 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes also requires the Workers' Compensation Commission to submit the updated and adjusted Fee Schedule to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Governor; and
WHEREAS, paragraph 14 of subsection H of Section 50 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes requires approval by the Legislature of the proposed Fee Schedule before the Fee Schedule can become effective; and

WHEREAS, if approved by the Legislature, the proposed Fee Schedule becomes effective on July 1 following the legislative session in which the Fee Schedule received legislative approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION OF THE 57TH OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE:

SECTION 1. The proposed Fee Schedule for maximum rates paid for reimbursement to medical providers, as amended and updated pursuant to paragraph 14 of subsection H of Section 50 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes, and submitted to the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives and the Governor, is hereby approved as required by paragraph 14 of subsection H of Section 50 of Title 85A of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SECTION 2. Copies of this joint resolution shall be dispatched to the members of the Workers' Compensation Commission, the Governor and the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3. This joint resolution shall become effective July 1, 2020.

SECTION 4. It being immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, by reason whereof this joint resolution shall
take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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