

# Bill Summary

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## **A. Synopsis:**

HB84 establishes a system for nonpayment or reduction in payment for preventable serious adverse events.

## **B. Summary:**

HB84 allows health insurers to withhold payment to providers in the event of a preventable serious adverse event.

A "preventable serious adverse event" is defined as "a clearly defined condition or negative consequence of care that results in unintended injury or illness that could have been anticipated and prepared for, but occurs because of an error or other system failure, and results in a patient's death, loss of a body part, disability, or loss of bodily function lasting more than seven days."