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Section

1 Lowest cost to consumers. Amends § 151.71, by adding subd. 3. (a) Prohibits a health plan company or a pharmacy benefits manager from requiring an individual to pay, for a covered prescription medication at the point of sale, an amount greater than the allowable cost to consumers as defined in paragraph (b).

(b) Defines "allowable cost to consumers" as the lowest of: (1) the applicable copayment; (2) the allowable claim amount; or (3) the cost of the medication if purchased without using a health plan benefit.