Adopted	Rejected

COMMITTEE REPORT

YES: 12
NO: 0

MR. SPEAKER:

Your Committee on ***Public Health****, to which was referred* *Senate Bill 554*, *has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill* ***be amended*** *as follows:*

Page 2, line 2, after "consultations" delete "," and insert "**and behavioral health evaluations and treatment, including those for substance abuse,**".

Page 2, line 13, delete "services:" and insert "**services, regardless of the distance between the provider and the patient:**".

Page 2, between lines 16 and 17, begin a new line block indented and insert:

"**(3) A community mental health center certified under IC 12-21-2-3(5)(C).**

(4) A critical access hospital that meets the criteria under 42 CFR 485.601 et seq.".

Page 2, line 17, delete "(c)" and insert "**(e)**".

Page 2, after line 18, begin a new paragraph and insert:

"SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013] **(a) As used in this SECTION, "commission" refers to the health finance commission established by IC 2-5-23-3.**

(b) The definitions in IC 12-15-5-11, as added by this act, apply to this SECTION.

(c) The commission shall study during the 2013 legislative interim issues concerning extending telehealth services and telemedicine services under the Medicaid program for noncritical access hospitals, including private psychiatric hospitals.

(d) This SECTION expires December 31, 2013.".

(Reference is to SB 554 as printed February 22, 2013.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

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Representative Clere