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Catch Title: Health insurance-medical necessity reviews.
Subject: Health insurers' medical necessity reviews.

Summary/Major Elements:

- Current law requires issuers of health insurance policies to offer the insured an external review by a third party independent review organization if the insurer denies a claim on the grounds that a service, procedure or supply is not medically necessary.
- This bill:
 - Extends the time limit for requesting an external review from 60 to 120 days after receiving notice of the insurer's determination; and
 - Requires the independent review organization to forward submitted evidence to the opposing party within one day of its receipt by the organization.

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