

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0152

Medicaid nursing home expenditures-calculation.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Meyer, Illoway, Law and  
Miller and Senator(s) Larson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Medical Assistance and  
2 Services Act; imposing a hold-harmless provision for  
3 medical assistance to skilled nursing homes as specified;  
4 providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective  
5 date.

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7 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 42-4-104(c) is amended to read:

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11 **42-4-104. Powers and duties of department of health.**

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13 (c) Subject to limitations imposed under this  
14 subsection, the department shall, not less than every five  
15 (5) years, establish a new base period to be used in  
16 calculating all skilled nursing homes' medical assistance

1 per diem base rate reimbursable under this chapter, using  
2 the most recent cost report information provided to the  
3 department. For purposes of medical assistance reimbursable  
4 under this chapter, the department shall reimburse each  
5 eligible provider of skilled nursing home services the  
6 greater of the following amounts:

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8 (i) Medical assistance computed on the per diem  
9 base rate under the new base period established pursuant to  
10 this subsection; or

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12 (ii) For the state fiscal year beginning July 1,  
13 2003 and ending June 30, 2004, medical assistance computed  
14 on the per diem base rate existing prior to the  
15 establishment of the new base period under this subsection.

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17 **Section 2.** Five hundred fifty thousand dollars  
18 (\$550,000.00) is appropriated from the general fund to the  
19 department of health for purposes of medical assistance to  
20 skilled nursing homes for the fiscal period commencing July  
21 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004. For the state fiscal year  
22 beginning July 1, 2003, only, the medicaid reimbursement  
23 rates for skilled nursing home services shall be adjusted  
24 and computed to implement the provisions of this act.

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2       **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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