

SENATE FILE NO. SF0116

Medicaid expansion-authorization.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Rothfuss and Representative(s) Connolly

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid; requiring collaboration  
2 concerning the expansion of Medicaid eligibility;  
3 authorizing the expansion of Medicaid eligibility as  
4 specified; requiring reports and notice as specified; and  
5 providing for an effective date.

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

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9 **Section 1.**

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11 (a) The governor, the insurance commissioner and the  
12 director of the department of health shall collaborate  
13 together and work with the centers for Medicare and  
14 Medicaid services of the United States department of health  
15 to explore options for the expansion of Medicaid

1 eligibility as authorized by the Patient Protection and  
2 Affordable Care Act, P.L. 111-148 or other law that  
3 replaces that act prior to the repeal of this section.

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5 (b) If the collaboration required by subsection (a)  
6 of this section reveals viable and fiscally advantageous  
7 options for the expansion of Medicaid eligibility in  
8 Wyoming, the governor by and through the department of  
9 health is authorized to pursue whatever Medicaid plan  
10 amendments or other waivers are necessary and prudent for  
11 the expansion.

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13 (c) Prior to making application to expand Medicaid  
14 eligibility pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the  
15 governor shall provide notice to the legislature, in  
16 writing. The governor also shall provide a report to the  
17 joint labor, health and social services interim committee  
18 and the joint appropriations committee detailing the  
19 reasons for the expansion, the means for having the  
20 expansion approved, any funding necessary for the expansion  
21 and the reasons that the expansion is viable and fiscally  
22 advantageous for Wyoming. The notice and reports shall be  
23 submitted to the legislature in sufficient time to allow

1 the legislature adequate notice to call a special session  
2 for consideration of the expansion prior to the effective  
3 date of any obligations binding on the state.

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5 (d) This section is repealed effective January 1,  
6 2019.

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8 **Section 2.** 2013 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 116,  
9 Section 5 is repealed.

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11 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon  
12 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law  
13 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming  
14 Constitution.

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