

SENATE FILE NO. SF0101

Medicaid school health program.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid and public school funding;
2 requiring the departments of health and education to
3 jointly develop a management and billing system for the
4 Medicaid school health program as specified; granting
5 rulemaking authority; providing for transfer of Medicaid
6 funds for compensable school health expenditures to the
7 school foundation account; requiring reports; providing an
8 appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

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12 **Section 1.**

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14 (a) The department of education and the department of
15 health shall cooperate to develop a joint management and

1 billing program to generate Medicaid claims for special
2 education expenditures, subject to the following:

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4 (i) The program shall be developed, tested and
5 implemented in time for districts to begin using the program
6 to generate Medicaid claims for special education
7 expenditures no later than school year 2006-2007;

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9 (ii) The program shall use an internet-based
10 statewide software system for the management and billing by
11 district personnel of individual education programs and
12 services delivered to special education students;

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14 (iii) The program and reporting procedures shall
15 be developed in a manner that identifies special education
16 services and related administrative expenses provided to
17 students enrolled in the Medicaid school health program
18 under W.S. 42-4-103(xxx) that are compensable under the
19 Wyoming Medical Assistance and Services Act;

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21 (iv) The department of health shall use the
22 information obtained under paragraph (iii) of this
23 subsection, with additional documentation as necessary from
24 the districts, to pay claims for services and

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2 administrative costs compensable under the school health
3 program;

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5 (v) The program and procedures shall provide for
6 the qualification of individual school districts as
7 Medicaid service providers and for payment of approved
8 Medicaid school health claims on a monthly basis by
9 transfer from the department of health to the account
10 established pursuant to W.S. 21-13-306;

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12 (vi) The program and procedures shall include
13 adequate security measures to protect the privacy of all
14 students whose information is contained in the system and
15 to appropriately limit users' access to identifying
16 information;

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18 (vii) The department of education may provide in
19 its rules and regulations that district's reporting
20 pursuant to this subsection also satisfies the district's
21 reporting requirements under W.S. 21-13-321(d);

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23 (viii) The department of education and the
24 department of health shall adopt complementary rules and

1 regulations for the joint reporting program and the
2 department of health shall amend the state Medicaid plan
3 and obtain any necessary approval from the federal Centers
4 for Medicare and Medicaid Services;

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6 (ix) The department of health shall provide
7 monthly reports to the state department of education
8 itemizing the total amount claimed by the districts and
9 reimbursed to the foundation during the previous month for
10 programs and services under the school health program;

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12 (x) School district administrative expenses
13 connected with billing Medicaid for eligible special
14 education expenses, which are not reimbursed by the federal
15 government, shall be reimbursed in the same manner as other
16 special education expenses.

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18 **Section 2.** On or before December 31, 2005, and again
19 on or before December 31, 2006, the department of education
20 and department of health shall report to the joint labor,
21 health and social services interim committee and the joint
22 education interim committee on the implementation status of
23 the program established in Section 1 of this act, any

1 recommended statutory changes, and startup and continuing
2 costs of administering this program.

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4 **Section 3.** In addition to any other appropriation to
5 implement the medical assistance and services program,
6 there is appropriated to the department of education for
7 the purposes of developing the computer program required by
8 this act one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from the
9 general fund and one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from
10 federal funds.

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

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