

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0074

Upper payment limit program-public nursing homes.

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

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Medical Assistance and
2 Services Act (Medicaid); authorizing the department of
3 health to obtain an amendment to the state plan for the
4 governmental nursing facility gap payment program; 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.** Before July 1, 2016, the department of
10 health shall make application to the federal department of
11 health and human services for an amendment to the state
12 plan for medical assistance and services developed under
13 W.S. 42-4-104(a)(ii). The application shall seek a plan
14 amendment to allow the department to operate cost coverage
15 programs funded through provider contributions or through

1 available federal funding. These programs, if approved in a
2 plan amendment, shall be budget neutral to the state of
3 Wyoming and shall provide supplemental payments to
4 participating government owned nursing facilities with the
5 goal of compensating the facilities for care provided to
6 Medicaid patients up to the upper payment limit applicable
7 to each facility.

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9 **Section 2.** This act is effective immediately upon
10 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
11 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
12 Constitution.

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14 (END)