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ENROLLED ACT NO. 60, SENATE

SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WYOMING 2024 BUDGET SESSION

AN ACT relating to welfare; increasing the Medicaid reimbursement rate for hospice care as specified; providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1. W.S. 42-4-103(a)(xxv) is amended to read:

42-4-103. Authorized services and supplies.

(a) Services and supplies authorized for medical assistance under this chapter include:

(xxv) Hospice care as defined in W.S. 35-2-901(a)(xii) and authorized under 42 U.S.C. 8 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(VII) including hospice care in а hospice facility for an eligible individual and room and board for individuals receiving the care in a hospice facility. Reimbursement rates for hospice care shall be set annually to match Medicare hospice reimbursement rates. The room and board reimbursement rate for hospice facilities shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) one hundred percent (100%) of the statewide average of the Medicaid nursing home room and board rate <mark>when</mark> an eliqible individual is receiving hospice. For the purposes of this paragraph, "eligible individual" means a person who is eligible for hospice care as defined in the state Medicaid plan in effect on July 1, 2012;

Section 2. There is appropriated four hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$450,000.00) from the general fund to the department of health for purposes of providing hospice care reimbursement under this act. This appropriation shall be for the period beginning with the effective date of this act and ending June 30, 2026. This appropriation shall not

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be transferred or expended for any other purpose and any unexpended, unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall revert as provided by law on June 30, 2026. It is the intent of the legislature that this appropriation be included in the department of health's standard budget for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2024.

(END)

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Governor

TIME APPROVED: _____

DATE APPROVED: _____

I hereby certify that this act originated in the Senate.

Chief Clerk