



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

LRB-2119/P1
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DOA:.....Stinebrink, BB0425 - Nursing home direct care

FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; **relating to:** the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

1. Reimbursement rate increase for direct care

This bill requires DHS to increase the rates paid for direct care to nursing homes, also known as nursing facilities, and intermediate care facilities for persons with an intellectual disability. A portion of the increase is related to an increase in patient acuity in those facilities and an additional increase is designated to support staff in those facilities who perform direct care.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 9119. Nonstatutory provisions; Health Services.

(1) MEDICAL ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT RATE INCREASE FOR DIRECT CARE. The department of health services shall increase the Medical Assistance rates paid for

direct care to nursing facilities and intermediate care facilities for persons with an intellectual disability with a 1 percent annual rate increase related to an increase in acuity of patients in those facilities and an additional 1.5 percent annual rate increase to support staff in those facilities who perform direct care.

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