



State of Wisconsin
2021 - 2022 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Stinebrink, BB0218 - Personal Care Direct Care

FOR 2021-2023 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

HEALTH

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Medical Assistance reimbursement rates for direct care in personal care agencies

This bill requires DHS to increase the reimbursement rates paid for direct care under the Medical Assistance program to agencies that provide personal care services to support staff in those agencies that provide direct care. For purposes of Medical Assistance, "personal care services" are defined as medically oriented activities that assist recipients with activities of daily living that are necessary to maintain the individual in his or her residence in the community, such as eating, bathing, dressing, meal preparation, or shopping for food.

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 IN PERSONAL CARE AGENCIES.** The department of health services shall increase the Medical Assistance rates paid for direct care to agencies that provide personal care services by a budgeted sum of \$15,000,000, as the state share of payments, and the matching federal share of payments, in fiscal year 2021-22, and by a budgeted sum of \$15,000,000, as the state share of payments, and the matching federal share of payments, in fiscal year 2022-23, to support staff in those agencies who perform direct care.

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