

## HOUSE BILL NO. HB0152

Medicaid nursing home expenditures-calculation.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Meyer, Illoway, Law and  
Miller and Senator(s) Larson

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to the Wyoming Medical Assistance and  
2 Services Act; imposing a hold-harmless provision for  
3 medical assistance to skilled nursing homes as specified;  
4 providing an appropriation; and providing for an effective  
5 date.

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

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9 **Section 1.** W.S. 42-4-104(c) is amended to read:

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11 **42-4-104. Powers and duties of department of health.**

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13 (c) Subject to limitations imposed under this  
14 subsection, the department shall, not less than every five  
15 (5) years, establish a new base period to be used in  
16 calculating all skilled nursing homes' medical assistance

1 per diem base rate reimbursable under this chapter, using  
2 the most recent cost report information provided to the  
3 department. For purposes of medical assistance reimbursable  
4 under this chapter, the department shall reimburse each  
5 eligible provider of skilled nursing home services the  
6 greater of the following amounts:

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8 (i) Medical assistance computed on the per diem  
9 base rate under the new base period established pursuant to  
10 this subsection; or

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12 (ii) Medical assistance computed on the per diem  
13 base rate existing prior to the establishment of the new  
14 base period under this subsection.

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16 **Section 2.** One million two hundred forty-four  
17 thousand dollars (\$1,244,000.00) is appropriated from the  
18 general fund to the department of health for purposes of  
19 medical assistance to skilled nursing homes for the fiscal  
20 period commencing July 1, 2003 and ending June 30, 2004.

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22 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2003.

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24 (END)