SENATE FILE NO. SF0116

Medicaid expansion-authorization.

Sponsored by: Senator(s) Rothfuss and Representative(s)
Connolly

A BILL

for

AN ACT relating to Medicaid; requiring collaboration
concerning the expansion of Medicaid eligibility;
authorizing the expansion of Medicaid eligibility as
specified; requiring reports and notice as specified; and
providing for an effective date.

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

Section 1.

(a) The governor, the insurance commissioner and the
director of the department of health shall collaborate
together and work with the centers for Medicare and
Medicaid services of the United States department of health
to explore options for the expansion of Medicaid
eligibility as authorized by the Patient Protection and
Affordable Care Act, P.L. 111-148 or other law that
replaces that act prior to the repeal of this section.

(b) If the collaboration required by subsection (a)
of this section reveals viable and fiscally advantageous
options for the expansion of Medicaid eligibility in
Wyoming, the governor by and through the department of
health is authorized to pursue whatever Medicaid plan
amendments or other waivers are necessary and prudent for
the expansion.

(c) Prior to making application to expand Medicaid
eligibility pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the
governor shall provide notice to the legislature, in
writing. The governor also shall provide a report to the
joint labor, health and social services interim committee
and the joint appropriations committee detailing the
reasons for the expansion, the means for having the
expansion approved, any funding necessary for the expansion
and the reasons that the expansion is viable and fiscally
advantageous for Wyoming. The notice and reports shall be
submitted to the legislature in sufficient time to allow
the legislature adequate notice to call a special session for consideration of the expansion prior to the effective date of any obligations binding on the state.

(d) This section is repealed effective January 1, 2019.

Section 2. 2013 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 116, Section 5 is repealed.

Section 3. This act is effective immediately upon completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming Constitution.

(END)