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INTRODUCTION**

HOUSE BILL NO.

Medicaid and child health insurance program billing.

Sponsored by: Joint Education Interim Committee

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to school finance; authorizing school  
2 districts to submit billing for child health insurance  
3 program eligible special education services as specified;  
4 requiring school districts to submit billing for Medicaid  
5 and child health insurance program eligible special  
6 education services as specified; making conforming  
7 amendments; deleting an obsolete provision; providing an  
8 appropriation; authorizing a full-time position; and  
9 providing for an effective date.

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

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1           **Section 1.** W.S. 21-13-321(h) and (j) is amended to  
2 read:

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4           **21-13-321. Special education; amount provided for**  
5 **special education programs and services; district reporting**  
6 **requirements; billing for Medicaid and child health**  
7 **insurance program authorized school based services.**

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9           (h) Beginning ~~July 1, 2022~~ July 1, 2026, each school  
10 district with less than two thousand five hundred (2,500)  
11 students and with Medicaid or child health insurance  
12 program eligible students receiving special education  
13 programs and services, as calculated by the department of  
14 education pursuant to subsection (j) of this section, may  
15 bill the department of health for the costs of any special  
16 education program and service provided to the district's  
17 students covered by the child health insurance program or  
18 Medicaid under W.S. 42-4-103(a)(xxxiv) through (xxxvi)  
19 ~~provided to the district's students.~~ Beginning July 1,  
20 2026, each school district with two thousand five hundred  
21 (2,500) students or more and with Medicaid or child health  
22 insurance program eligible students receiving special

1 education programs and services, as calculated by the  
2 department of education pursuant to subsection (j) of this  
3 section, shall bill the department of health for the costs  
4 of any special education program and service provided to  
5 the district's students covered by the child health  
6 insurance program or Medicaid under W.S. 42-4-103(a)(xxxiv)  
7 through (xxxvi). The department of health shall provide  
8 payment to each eligible school district that has billed  
9 the department of health as soon as reasonably practical  
10 for the costs of approved services. By September 1 of each  
11 school year, each school district shall remit to the  
12 department of education all funds received during the prior  
13 school year from the department of health for billed  
14 services. The department of education shall remit all funds  
15 received under this subsection to the state treasurer for  
16 deposit in the public school foundation program account.

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18 (j) ~~A school district may report the number of~~  
19 ~~Medicaid eligible students receiving special education~~  
20 ~~programs and services enrolled within the school district~~  
21 ~~on forms and in such manner required by the department for~~  
22 ~~the 2021-2022 school year.~~ Beginning with the ~~2022-2023~~

1 2026-2027 school year and each school year thereafter, a  
2 school district shall report the number of Medicaid and  
3 child health insurance program eligible students receiving  
4 special education programs and services enrolled within the  
5 school district on forms and in the manner required by the  
6 department. The total number of students in each school  
7 district and the number of Medicaid or child health  
8 insurance program eligible students receiving special  
9 education programs and services for a school year shall be  
10 determined by the department of education using data from  
11 October 1 of the immediately preceding school year.

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13 **Section 2.** The department of education is  
14 authorized one (1) full-time employee to assist school  
15 districts in submission of required information to obtain  
16 reimbursement for Medicaid and child health insurance  
17 program eligible special education program and services  
18 pursuant to this act. There is appropriated to the  
19 department of education two hundred fifty-five thousand two  
20 hundred fifty dollars (\$255,250.00) from the general fund  
21 for the salary and benefits of the position created by this  
22 section for the period beginning July 1, 2026 and ending

1 June 30, 2028. These funds shall not be transferred or  
2 expended for any other purpose and any unexpended,  
3 unobligated funds remaining from this appropriation shall  
4 revert as provided by law. It is the intent of the  
5 legislature that two hundred fifty-five thousand two  
6 hundred fifty dollars (\$255,250.00) and this position be  
7 included in the department of education's standard budget  
8 for the immediately succeeding fiscal biennium.

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10 **Section 3.** This act is effective July 1, 2026.

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