

SENATE BILL NO. 307—SENATORS WIENER, HORSFORD,
WOODHOUSE, CEGAVSKE, PARKS; AMODEI, COPENING,
HARDY, LEE, MCGINNESS, NOLAN, SCHNEIDER AND
WASHINGTON

MARCH 16, 2009

Referred to Committee on Health and Education

SUMMARY—Requires the Office of the Director of the
Department of Health and Human Services to study
issues relating to Medicaid. (BDR S-241)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in **bolded italics** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to public welfare; requiring the Office of the
Director of the Department of Health and Human Services
to study issues relating to Medicaid in this State; and
providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

- 1 Existing law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to
2 administer all public welfare programs in this State, including Medicaid, and to
3 adopt a State Plan for Medicaid. (NRS 422.270, 422.271) This bill requires the
4 Office of the Director of the Department, to the extent money is available from
5 gifts, grants and donations, to hire a consultant to study the financing, including the
6 financial sustainability, of Medicaid in this State and to conduct an analysis of the
7 rates paid by Medicaid in this State.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

- 1 **Section 1.** 1. To the extent money is available, the Office of
2 the Director of the Department of Health and Human Services shall
3 hire a consultant to:
4 (a) Study the financing of Medicaid in this State, including,
5 without limitation:
6 (1) The financial sustainability of Medicaid in this State; and



1 (2) Any financial strategies available to ensure the financial
2 sustainability of Medicaid in this State; and

3 (b) Analyze the rates paid by Medicaid in this State.

4 2. The Office of the Director may apply for and accept any gift,
5 donation, bequest, grant or other source of money from any public
6 or private source to carry out the provisions of this section. Any
7 money that is accepted by the Office of the Director:

8 (a) Must be deposited in the State Treasury and accounted for
9 separately in the State General Fund, to be administered by the
10 Director.

11 (b) Does not lapse to the State General Fund at the end of a
12 fiscal year.

13 3. The Office of the Director shall submit to the Legislative
14 Committee on Health Care quarterly reports concerning the amount
15 of money available pursuant to subsection 2 and the progress of the
16 consultant hired pursuant to subsection 1, if any. On or before
17 July 1, 2010, the Office of the Director shall submit to the
18 Legislative Committee on Health Care any recommendations for
19 legislation relating to the financing of Medicaid in this State and the
20 rates paid by Medicaid in this State.

21 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval
22 for the purposes of accepting money pursuant to subsection 2 of
23 section 1 of this act and on July 1, 2009, for all other purposes.

