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 ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 528—COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

(ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICE OF FINANCE  
IN THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR)

MAY 7, 2019

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Referred to Committee on Ways and Means

**SUMMARY**—Removes the prospective expiration of certain provisions relating to the list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the Medicaid program. (BDR S-1203)

**FISCAL NOTE:** Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Executive Budget.

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

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AN ACT relating to health care; removing the prospective expiration of certain provisions relating to the list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the Medicaid program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel's Digest:**

Under existing law, the Department of Health and Human Services is required to develop by regulation a list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the Medicaid program. The Department is also required to establish a list of prescription drugs that must be excluded from any restrictions that are imposed on drugs that are on the list of preferred prescription drugs. Existing law further requires the Department to include certain specified drugs on the list of drugs excluded from the restrictions. (NRS 422.4025) Before July 1, 2010, the Department was required to exclude certain antipsychotic medications, anticonvulsant medications and antidiabetic medications from the restrictions that are imposed on drugs which are on the list of preferred prescription drugs. The Legislature suspended this exclusion, however, from July 1, 2010, until June 30, 2019. (Chapter 4, Statutes of Nevada 2010, p. 35, as last amended by chapter 350, Statutes of Nevada 2017, p. 2174) This bill removes the prospective expiration of such provisions, thereby removing the required exclusion of those drugs indefinitely.

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

1       **Section 1.** Section 4 of chapter 4, Statutes of Nevada 2010,  
2 26th Special Session, as last amended by section 1 of chapter 350,  
3 Statutes of Nevada 2017, at page 2174, is hereby amended to read as  
4 follows:

5           Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2010 . ~~and expires by limitation on June 30, 2019.~~

7       **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

