

Amendment No. 701

Senate Amendment to Senate Bill No. 93	(BDR 38-193)
Proposed by: Senate Committee on Finance	
Amends: Summary: No Title: Yes Preamble: No Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: Yes	

Adoption of this amendment will ADD an appropriation where one does not currently exist in S.B. 93.

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EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) variations of green bold underlining is language proposed to be added in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill proposed to be retained in this amendment.



SENATE BILL NO. 93—SENATOR SETTELMEYER

FEBRUARY 3, 2021

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to Medicaid. (BDR 38-193)

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

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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 Medicaid; authorizing a recipient of Medicaid to receive reimbursements for personal care services; suspending eligibility for Medicaid of a person who is incarcerated to the extent possible; making an appropriation; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel's Digest:

Existing law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to administer Medicaid. (NRS 422.270) Existing law also requires Medicaid to cover certain home and community-based services for persons with physical disabilities, including supported personal care. (NRS 422.396) **Section 2** of this bill requires the Director of the Department to include in the State Plan for Medicaid authorization for a recipient of Medicaid to directly receive reimbursements for personal care services provided by a personal care assistant or an agency to provide personal care services in the home and paid for by the recipient.

Section 3 of this bill provides that, to the extent possible: (1) the eligibility of a person for Medicaid must be suspended, rather than terminated, when a person is incarcerated; and (2) if a recipient of Medicaid is incarcerated, the eligibility of the person for and coverage under Medicaid must be reinstated as soon as possible upon his or her release.

Section 4 of this bill makes a conforming change to provide that the provisions of **sections 2 and 3** would be administered by the same agency that administers existing law governing Medicaid.

Section 4.5 of this bill makes an appropriation to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services for the State's share of the costs of personal care services for recipients of Medicaid under the self-directed model required by section 2 of this bill.

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

Section 1. Chapter 422 of NRS is hereby amended by adding thereto the provisions set forth as sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Sec. 2. 1. *To the extent authorized by federal law, the Director shall include in the State Plan for Medicaid authorization for a recipient of Medicaid to be deemed a provider of services for the purposes of allowing the recipient to*

1 *receive reimbursements for personal care services covered by Medicaid and use*
2 *that money to pay for services provided by a personal care assistant acting*
3 *pursuant to NRS 629.091 or an agency to provide personal care services in the*
4 *home using a self-directed model.*

5 2. As used in this section:

6 (a) "Agency to provide personal care services in the home" has the meaning
7 ascribed to it in NRS 449.0021.

8 (b) "Personal care services" means the services described in NRS 449.1935.

9 **Sec. 3. 1. To the extent not prohibited by federal law, the Department**
10 **shall:**

11 (a) Suspend, rather than terminate, the eligibility for Medicaid of a person
12 who is incarcerated for the amount of time authorized by regulation pursuant to
13 subsection 2; and

14 (b) Reinstate the person's eligibility for and coverage under Medicaid as
15 soon as possible upon his or her release from incarceration if the person
16 otherwise meets the requirements to be eligible for Medicaid at that time.

17 2. The Department may adopt any regulations necessary to carry out the
18 provisions of this section, including, without limitation, regulations that prescribe
19 the amount of time that the eligibility of a person for Medicaid may be suspended
20 pursuant to this section before being terminated.

21 **Sec. 4.** NRS 232.320 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22 232.320 1. The Director:

23 (a) Shall appoint, with the consent of the Governor, administrators of the
24 divisions of the Department, who are respectively designated as follows:

25 (1) The Administrator of the Aging and Disability Services Division;

26 (2) The Administrator of the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services;

27 (3) The Administrator of the Division of Child and Family Services;

28 (4) The Administrator of the Division of Health Care Financing and
29 Policy; and

30 (5) The Administrator of the Division of Public and Behavioral Health.

31 (b) Shall administer, through the divisions of the Department, the provisions of
32 chapters 63, 424, 425, 427A, 432A to 442, inclusive, 446 to 450, inclusive, 458A
33 and 656A of NRS, NRS 127.220 to 127.310, inclusive, 422.001 to 422.410,
34 inclusive, *and sections 2 and 3 of this act*, 422.580, 432.010 to 432.133, inclusive,
35 432B.6201 to 432B.626, inclusive, 444.002 to 444.430, inclusive, and 445A.010 to
36 445A.055, inclusive, and all other provisions of law relating to the functions of the
37 divisions of the Department, but is not responsible for the clinical activities of the
38 Division of Public and Behavioral Health or the professional line activities of the
39 other divisions.

40 (c) Shall administer any state program for persons with developmental
41 disabilities established pursuant to the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and
42 Bill of Rights Act of 2000, 42 U.S.C. §§ 15001 et seq.

43 (d) Shall, after considering advice from agencies of local governments and
44 nonprofit organizations which provide social services, adopt a master plan for the
45 provision of human services in this State. The Director shall revise the plan
46 biennially and deliver a copy of the plan to the Governor and the Legislature at the
47 beginning of each regular session. The plan must:

48 (1) Identify and assess the plans and programs of the Department for the
49 provision of human services, and any duplication of those services by federal, state
50 and local agencies;

51 (2) Set forth priorities for the provision of those services;

(3) Provide for communication and the coordination of those services among nonprofit organizations, agencies of local government, the State and the Federal Government;

(4) Identify the sources of funding for services provided by the Department and the allocation of that funding;

(5) Set forth sufficient information to assist the Department in providing those services and in the planning and budgeting for the future provision of those services; and

(6) Contain any other information necessary for the Department to communicate effectively with the Federal Government concerning demographic trends, formulas for the distribution of federal money and any need for the modification of programs administered by the Department.

(e) May, by regulation, require nonprofit organizations and state and local governmental agencies to provide information regarding the programs of those organizations and agencies, excluding detailed information relating to their budgets and payrolls, which the Director deems necessary for the performance of the duties imposed upon him or her pursuant to this section.

(f) Has such other powers and duties as are provided by law.

2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director, or the Director's designee, is responsible for appointing and removing subordinate officers and employees of the Department.

Sec. 4.5. 1. There is hereby appropriated from the State General Fund to the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy of the Department of Health and Human Services to pay the State's share of the costs of personal care services for recipients of Medicaid under the self-directed model required by section 2 of this act the following sums:

For the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 \$50,895

For the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 \$104,354

2. The sums appropriated by subsection 1 are available for either fiscal year. Any remaining balance of those sums must not be committed for expenditure after June 30, 2023, by the entity to which the appropriation is made or any entity to which money from the appropriation is granted or otherwise transferred in any manner, and any portion of the appropriated money remaining must not be spent for any purpose after September 15, 2023, by either the entity to which the money was appropriated or the entity to which the money was subsequently granted or transferred, and must be reverted to the State General Fund on or before September 15, 2023.

Sec. 5. 1. This section becomes effective upon passage and approval.

2. Sections 1, 2, [and] 4 and 4.5 of this act become effective on July 1, 2021.

3. Section 3 of this act becomes effective:

(a) Upon passage and approval for the purposes of adopting any regulations and performing any other preparatory administrative tasks that are necessary to carry out the provisions of this act; and

(b) On January 1, 2023, for all other purposes.