

House File 497

H-1395

1 Amend House File 497 as follows:

2 1. By striking everything after the enacting clause
3 and inserting:

4 <Section 1. Section 249A.15A, Code 2011, is amended
5 to read as follows:

6 **249A.15A Licensed marital and family therapists and,
7 licensed master social workers, and licensed mental
8 health counselors.**

9 1. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to
10 chapter 17A entitling marital and family therapists
11 who are licensed pursuant to chapter 154D to payment
12 for behavioral health services provided to recipients
13 of medical assistance, subject to limitations and
14 exclusions the department finds necessary on the basis
15 of federal laws and regulations.

16 2. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to
17 chapter 17A entitling master social workers who hold
18 a master's degree approved by the board of social
19 work, are licensed as a master social worker pursuant
20 to section 154C.3, subsection 1, paragraph "b", and
21 provide treatment services under the supervision of an
22 independent social worker licensed pursuant to section
23 154C.3, subsection 1, paragraph "c", to payment for
24 behavioral health services provided to recipients
25 of medical assistance, subject to limitations and
26 exclusions the department finds necessary on the basis
27 of federal laws and regulations.

28 3. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to
29 chapter 17A entitling mental health counselors who
30 are licensed pursuant to chapter 154D to payment for
31 behavioral health services provided to recipients
32 of medical assistance, subject to limitations and
33 exclusions the department finds necessary on the basis
34 of federal laws and regulations.

35 **Sec. 2. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE STATE PLAN — MENTAL**
36 **HEALTH COUNSELORS.** The department of human services
37 shall amend the medical assistance state plan to allow
38 mental health counselors licensed in the state to be
39 participating behavioral health providers under the
40 medical assistance program.>

41 2. Title page, by striking lines 1 through 3 and
42 inserting <An Act relating to entitling mental health
43 counselors to payment for behavioral health services
44 provided under the Medicaid program.>

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