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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the allowable deductions in the determination  
2 of eligibility for medical assistance for an institutionalized  
3 individual.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 249A.3, Code Supplement 1999, is  
2 amended by adding the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 14. Beginning October 1, 2000, in  
4 determining the eligibility of an institutionalized individual  
5 for assistance under this chapter, the department shall allow  
6 a deduction from the individual's total income for the  
7 following amounts for incurred expenses for medical or  
8 remedial care that are not subject to payment by a third  
9 party, in accordance with 42 C.F.R., § 435.725, including all  
10 of the following:

11 a. Medicare and other health insurance premiums,  
12 deductibles, or coinsurance charges.

13 b. Necessary medical or remedial care as defined by rule  
14 of the department which is not covered under this state's  
15 medical assistance plan, subject to reasonable amount  
16 limitations which the department may establish by rule.

17 EXPLANATION

18 This bill provides that in determining eligibility for  
19 medical assistance for an institutionalized individual, the  
20 department is required to allow a deduction from the  
21 individual's total income for expenses incurred by the  
22 individual for medical or remedial care that is not subject to  
23 payment by a third party. The allowable expenses may include  
24 Medicare and other health insurance premiums, deductibles, or  
25 coinsurance charges and necessary medical or remedial care as  
26 defined by rule, which are not included in the state's medical  
27 assistance plan, subject to reasonable amount limitations  
28 established by rule of the department of human services.

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