## **House File 763**

## **Bill Text**

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         Section 1. Section 249A.18, Code 1999, is amended to read
1 2 as follows:
        249A.18 COST-BASED REIMBURSEMENT RURAL HEALTH CLINICS
  4 AND FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CLINICS.
      Rural health clinics and federally qualified health clinics
1 6 shall receive cost-based reimbursement for one hundred percent
  7 of the reasonable costs for the provision of services to
1 8 recipients of medical assistance
 subject to limitations and
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                               EXPLANATION
        This bill requires that federally qualified health clinics
1 13 and rural health clinics be reimbursed at 100 percent of the
1 14 clinics' reasonable costs under the medical assistance
1 15 program. Reimbursement provisions for these clinics under the
1 16 federal Balanced Budget Act of 1997 require reimbursement at a
1 17 reduced percentage each year. However, the health care
1 18 financing administration has sent a letter of clarification to
1 19 state Medicaid directors noting that if a state does reimburse
1 20 reasonable costs at the 100 percent level, and therefore above
1 21 the level required by federal law, the state will receive a
1 22 federal financial participation amount for the differential
1 23 amount up to 100 percent of the reasonable costs.
1 24 LSB 2333HZ 78
1 25 pf/sc/14
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