

House Study Bill 151

Bill Text

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1 1 Section 1. Section [249A.18](#), Code 1999, is amended to read
1 2 as follows:

1 3 249A.18 COST-BASED REIMBURSEMENT RURAL HEALTH CLINICS
1 4 AND FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CLINICS.

1 5 Rural health clinics and federally qualified health clinics
1 6 shall receive cost-based reimbursement for one hundred percent
1 7 of the reasonable costs for the provision of services to
1 8 recipients of medical assistance

~~1 9 , subject to limitations and~~

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~~1 10 exclusions based on federal law and regulations as determined~~

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~~1 11 by the director~~

1 11 EXPLANATION

1 12 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.

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