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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to maximizing hospital-specific

2 disproportionate share hospital payments.

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

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES — DIRECTIVE
2 REGARDING DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL PAYMENTS. The
3 department of human services shall recalculate the
4 hospital-specific disproportionate share hospital limits for
5 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, during the hospital
6 rebasing and recalibration process, and shall utilize the
7 federal disproportionate share hospital allotment for the state
8 to the maximum extent possible to provide payments to recipient
9 hospitals at the maximum hospital-specific limit level as
10 determined by the recalculation. The department shall amend
11 the medical assistance state plan as necessary to implement
12 this directive.

13 EXPLANATION

14 This bill directs the department of human services (DHS)
15 to recalculate the hospital-specific disproportionate share
16 hospital DHS limits for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012,
17 during the hospital rebasing and recalibration process, and to
18 utilize the federal DHS allotment for the state to the maximum
19 extent possible to provide payments to recipient hospitals at
20 the maximum hospital-specific limit level as determined by the
21 recalculation. The bill also directs DHS to amend the medical
22 assistance state plan as necessary to implement the directive.