

**Senate File 462 - Introduced**

SENATE FILE 462  
BY COMMITTEE ON HUMAN  
RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO SSB 1193)

**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to a study regarding reimbursement for  
2 administrative days.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE DAYS  
2 — STUDY. The department of human services shall conduct  
3 a study to determine the feasibility of providing Medicaid  
4 reimbursement to hospitals for administrative days. Following  
5 its review, the department shall work with the Iowa hospital  
6 association, the managed care organizations, and other relevant  
7 stakeholders to develop and submit a report including findings,  
8 options and criteria for reimbursement, and the estimated  
9 costs associated with providing such reimbursement to the  
10 governor and the general assembly by December 15, 2021. For  
11 the purposes of this section, "administrative day" means an  
12 inpatient stay day during which a Medicaid-eligible individual  
13 no longer meets medical necessity criteria for acute hospital  
14 care and is awaiting placement in a nursing facility or other  
15 subacute or post-acute care.

16 EXPLANATION

17 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
18 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

19 This bill requires the department of human services (DHS)  
20 to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of providing  
21 Medicaid reimbursement to hospitals for administrative days.  
22 Following its review, DHS shall work with relevant stakeholders  
23 to develop and submit a report including findings, options and  
24 criteria for reimbursement, and the estimated costs associated  
25 with providing such reimbursement to the governor and the  
26 general assembly by December 15, 2021. Under the bill, an  
27 "administrative day" means an inpatient stay day during which a  
28 Medicaid-eligible individual no longer meets medical necessity  
29 criteria for acute hospital care and is awaiting placement in a  
30 nursing facility or other subacute or post-acute care.