

House File 2195 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the standardization and equalization of
2 benefits under the Medicaid home and community-based
3 services intellectual disability waiver relative to other
4 waivers.

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

1 Section 1. MEDICAID HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES
2 INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY WAIVER BENEFITS — STANDARDIZATION AND
3 EQUALIZATION RELATIVE TO OTHER WAIVERS. The department of
4 health and human services shall standardize and equalize the
5 benefits available under the Medicaid home and community-based
6 services (HCBS) intellectual disability waiver relative to the
7 HCBS health and disability and the HCBS physical disability
8 waivers to meet the needs of persons with an intellectual
9 disability. The standardization and equalization shall
10 include, at a minimum, eliminating the lifetime maximum cap
11 for home and vehicle modifications under the HCBS intellectual
12 disability waiver and instead establishing an annual maximum
13 cap per waiver member at the same amount as the amount for
14 the Medicaid HCBS health and disability and the HCBS physical
15 disability waivers.

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 health and human
20 services to standardize and equalize the benefits available
21 under the Medicaid home and community-based services (HCBS)
22 intellectual disability waiver relative to the HCBS health and
23 disability and the HCBS physical disability waivers to meet
24 the needs of persons with an intellectual disability. The
25 standardization and equalization shall, at a minimum, include
26 eliminating the lifetime maximum cap for home and vehicle
27 modifications under the HCBS intellectual disability waiver
28 and instead establishing an annual maximum cap per waiver
29 member at the same amount as the amount for the HCBS health and
30 disability and HCBS physical disability waivers.