

CHAPTER 252

HEALTH CARE POLICY AND FINANCING

HOUSE BILL 04-1219

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also SENATOR(S) Reeves, Owen, and Teck.

AN ACT

CONCERNING COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE PERSONS UNDER THE "HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY, BLIND, AND DISABLED ACT", AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

SECTION 1. 26-4-603, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW SUBSECTION to read:

26-4-603. Definitions. As used in this subpart 1 and subpart 3 of this part 6, unless the context otherwise requires:

(20) "TRANSITION COORDINATION SERVICE AGENCY" MEANS AN AGENCY THAT IS CERTIFIED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, AS SPECIFIED IN RULE BY THE STATE BOARD, AND PROVIDES INDEPENDENT LIVING CORE SERVICES AS DEFINED IN SECTION 26-8.1-102 (3) AND COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES.

SECTION 2. 26-4-607 (1), Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended BY THE ADDITION OF A NEW PARAGRAPH to read:

26-4-607. Services for the elderly, blind, and disabled. (1) Subject to the provisions of this subpart 1, home- and community-based services for the elderly, blind, and disabled shall include only the following services:

(j) COMMUNITY TRANSITION SERVICES NOT TO EXCEED TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS PER ELIGIBLE PERSON, UNLESS OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, WHICH SHALL BE ADMINISTERED BY A TRANSITION COORDINATION SERVICE AGENCY.

SECTION 3. 26-4-612, Colorado Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

Capital letters indicate new material added to existing statutes; dashes through words indicate deletions from existing statutes and such material not part of act.

26-4-612. Rules - federal authorization. (1) Pursuant to article 4 of title 24, C.R.S., the state ~~department~~ BOARD shall adopt rules ~~and regulations~~ for the administration of this subpart 1.

(2) THE STATE DEPARTMENT IS AUTHORIZED TO SEEK ANY NECESSARY FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBPART 1.

SECTION 4. Appropriation adjustments to 2004 long bill. (1) For the implementation of this act, appropriations made in the annual general appropriation act to the department of health care policy and financing for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2004, shall be adjusted as follows:

(a) The appropriation for the executive director's office is increased by twenty-one thousand nine hundred twenty-four dollars (\$21,924) and 0.4 FTE. Of said sum, ten thousand nine hundred sixty-two dollars (\$10,962) shall be from the general fund and ten thousand nine hundred sixty-two dollars (\$10,962) shall be from federal funds.

(b) The appropriation for medical services premiums is decreased by seventy-nine thousand six hundred forty-nine dollars (\$79,649). Of said sum, thirty-nine thousand eight hundred twenty-five dollars (\$39,825) shall be from the general fund and thirty-nine thousand eight hundred twenty-four dollars (\$39,824) shall be from federal funds.

SECTION 5. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004.

SECTION 6. Safety clause. The general assembly hereby finds, determines, and declares that this act is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, and safety.

Approved: May 21, 2004