

AMENDMENTS TO LB867

(Amendments to E&R amendments, ER165)

Introduced by Ballard, 21.

1           1. Insert the following new sections:

2           **Sec. 7.** Section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
3   2024, is amended to read:

4           68-901 Sections 68-901 to 68-9,111 and section 8 of this act shall  
5   be known and may be cited as the Medical Assistance Act.

6           **Sec. 8.** For purposes of implementing and administering the federal  
7   One Big Beautiful Bill Act, Public Law 119-21, as such act existed on  
8   January 1, 2026, the department shall adopt the following definitions for  
9   purposes of community engagement or work requirements for individuals who  
10 experience a short-term hardship event:

11           (1) Extended period of time means (a) one or more overnight stays,  
12 (b) repeated travel of two or more trips, or (c) sustained absence from  
13 the individual's residence that reasonably interferes with the ability to  
14 meet community engagement requirements;

15           (2) Inpatient hospital services means services provided to an  
16 individual who is admitted as an inpatient to a hospital under a  
17 physician or other health care provider order, consistent with 42 C.F.R.  
18 412.3. Inpatient hospital services are deemed to occur beginning on the  
19 date of admission, regardless of length of stay, and include any  
20 associated outpatient, observation, diagnostic, recovery, or follow-up  
21 care related to such admission;

22           (3) Outside of the individual's community means travel outside of  
23 the individual's county of residence; and

24           (4) Serious or complex medical condition means an individual who has  
25 one or more of the conditions described in 42 C.F.R. 440.315, including  
26 end-stage renal disease, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis, or any condition

- 1 for which medicaid coverage is medically necessary.
- 2       2. Renumber the remaining sections and correct internal references
- 3 and the repealer accordingly.