

AMENDMENTS TO LB 1158

Introduced by Health and Human Services

1 1. Insert the following section:

2 Section 1. Section 68-908, Revised Statutes Cumulative
3 Supplement, 2010, is amended to read:

4 68-908 (1) The department shall administer the medical
5 assistance program.

6 (2) The department may (a) enter into contracts
7 and interagency agreements, (b) adopt and promulgate rules
8 and regulations, (c) adopt fee schedules, (d) apply for and
9 implement waivers and managed care plans for services for eligible
10 recipients, including services under the Nebraska Behavioral
11 Health Services Act, and (e) perform such other activities as
12 necessary and appropriate to carry out its duties under the
13 Medical Assistance Act. A covered item or service as described
14 in section 68-911 that is furnished through a school-based health
15 center, furnished by a provider, and furnished under a managed
16 care plan pursuant to a waiver does not require prior consultation
17 or referral by a patient's primary care physician to be covered.
18 Any federally qualified health center providing services as a
19 sponsoring facility of a school-based health center shall be
20 reimbursed for such services provided at a school-based health
21 center at the federally qualified health center reimbursement rate.
22 (3) The department shall maintain the confidentiality
23 of information regarding applicants for or recipients of medical

1 assistance and such information shall only be used for purposes
2 related to administration of the medical assistance program and the
3 provision of such assistance or as otherwise permitted by federal
4 law.

5 (4) (a) The department shall prepare an annual summary
6 and analysis of the medical assistance program for legislative
7 and public review, including, but not limited to, a description
8 of eligible recipients, covered services, provider reimbursement,
9 program trends and projections, program budget and expenditures,
10 the status of implementation of the Medicaid Reform Plan, and
11 recommendations for program changes.

12 (b) The department shall provide a draft report of such
13 summary and analysis to the Medicaid Reform Council no later than
14 September 15 of each year. The council shall conduct a public
15 meeting no later than October 1 of each year to discuss and receive
16 public comment regarding such report. The council shall provide
17 any comments and recommendations regarding such report in writing
18 to the department no later than November 1 of each year. The
19 department shall submit a final report of such summary and analysis
20 to the Governor, the Legislature, and the council no later than
21 December 1 of each year. Such final report shall include a response
22 to each written recommendation provided by the council.

23 2. On page 3, line 1, strike "1" and insert "2"; and in
24 line 5 strike "is" and insert "and section 68-908, Revised Statutes
25 Cumulative Supplement, 2010, are".

26 3. Renumber the remaining sections accordingly.