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**HOUSE BILL 14-1357**

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**A BILL FOR AN ACT**

101 **CONCERNING IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDED IN THE MEDICAID**  
102 **PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND**  
103 **REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.**

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**Bill Summary**

*(Note: This summary applies to this bill as introduced and does not reflect any amendments that may be subsequently adopted. If this bill passes third reading in the house of introduction, a bill summary that applies to the reengrossed version of this bill will be available at <http://www.leg.state.co.us/billsummaries>.)*

The bill makes changes to the in-home support services delivery model for home- and community-based services. The changes include:

- ! Expanding in-home support services to include persons enrolled in the spinal cord injury waiver pilot program;

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.  
Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.

- ! Clarifying that in-home support services may be provided in the home or in the community;
- ! Clarifying that the person receiving services, or his or her authorized representative, may schedule, manage, supervise and direct the work of the attendant providing services;
- ! Requiring the state board of medical services rules for in-home support services to include rules relating to nurse oversight that permit the person receiving services, or his or her representative, in conjunction with the in-home support services agency to determine the amount of nurser oversight;
- ! Permitting family members to be reimbursed for in-home support services provided to eligible persons and requiring the medical services board to promulgate rules, as necessary, regarding reimbursement for services; and
- ! Amending statutory provisions for the elderly, blind, and disabled waiver to reflect current law permitting persons enrolled in the waiver to receive in-home support services.

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

2           **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, **amend** 25.5-6-1201  
3 as follows:

4           **25.5-6-1201. Legislative declaration.** (1) The general assembly  
5 finds that there may be a more effective way to deliver home- and  
6 community-based services to the elderly, blind, and disabled; ~~and~~ to  
7 disabled children; AND TO PERSONS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES, that  
8 allows for more self-direction in their care and a cost savings to the state.  
9 The general assembly also finds that every person that is currently  
10 receiving home- and community-based services does not need the same  
11 level of supervision and care from a licensed health care professional in  
12 order to meet his or her care needs and remain living in the community.  
13 The general assembly, therefore, declares that it is beneficial to the  
14 elderly, blind, and disabled clients of home- and community-based  
15 services, ~~and~~ to clients of the disabled children care program, AND TO

1 CLIENTS ENROLLED IN THE SPINAL CORD INJURY WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM,  
2 for the state department to develop a service that would allow these  
3 people to receive in-home support.

4 (2) THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FURTHER FINDS THAT ALLOWING  
5 CLIENTS MORE SELF-DIRECTION IN THEIR CARE IS A MORE EFFECTIVE WAY  
6 TO DELIVER HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES TO CLIENTS WITH  
7 MAJOR MENTAL ILLNESSES AND BRAIN INJURIES, AS WELL AS TO CLIENTS  
8 RECEIVING HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SUPPORTIVE LIVING SERVICES  
9 AND CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT SERVICES. THEREFORE, THE  
10 GENERAL ASSEMBLY DECLARES THAT IT IS APPROPRIATE FOR THE STATE  
11 DEPARTMENT TO DEVELOP A PLAN FOR EXPANDING THE AVAILABILITY OF  
12 IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES TO INCLUDE THESE CLIENTS.

13 **SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-1202, **amend**  
14 (1), (3) (a), and (6) as follows:

15 **25.5-6-1202. Definitions.** As used in this part 12, unless the  
16 context otherwise requires:

17 (1) "Attendant" means a person who is directly employed by an  
18 in-home support service agency to provide or a family member,  
19 INCLUDING A SPOUSE, providing in-home support services to eligible  
20 persons.

21 (3) "Eligible person" means any person who:

22 (a) Is ~~eligible for~~ ENROLLED IN home- and community-based  
23 services ~~under~~ PURSUANT TO part 3 of this article, IS ENROLLED IN THE  
24 SPINAL CORD INJURY WAIVER PILOT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO PART 13 OF  
25 THIS ARTICLE, or is ~~eligible for~~ ENROLLED IN the disabled children care  
26 program ~~under~~ PURSUANT TO section 25.5-6-901;

27 (6) "In-home support services" means services that are provided

1 IN THE HOME AND IN THE COMMUNITY by an attendant ~~and include~~ UNDER  
2 THE DIRECTION OF THE ELIGIBLE PERSON OR THE ELIGIBLE PERSON'S  
3 AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE INCLUDING health maintenance activities  
4 AND support for activities of daily living or instrumental activities of daily  
5 living, AND personal care services ~~as defined in section 25.5-6-303 (18)~~;  
6 and homemaker services as defined in ~~section 25.5-6-303 (11)~~ RULES  
7 PROMULGATED BY THE MEDICAL SERVICES BOARD PURSUANT TO SECTION  
8 24-4-103, C.R.S.

9 **SECTION 3.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-1203, **amend**  
10 (2), (4) (a), and (6); and **add** (1.5) as follows:

11 **25.5-6-1203. In-home support services - eligibility - licensure**  
12 **exclusion - in-home support service agency responsibilities - rules.**

13 (1.5) THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A PLAN TO EXPAND THE  
14 PROVISION OF IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES TO INCLUDE CLIENTS ELIGIBLE  
15 FOR HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES PURSUANT TO PARTS 6 AND  
16 7 OF THIS ARTICLE AND HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED ADULT  
17 SUPPORTIVE LIVING SERVICES AND CHILDREN'S EXTENSIVE SUPPORT  
18 SERVICES PURSUANT TO PART 4 OF THIS ARTICLE. ON OR BEFORE MARCH  
19 1, 2015, THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL REPORT TO THE PUBLIC HEALTH  
20 AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
21 AND TO THE HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE,  
22 OR ANY SUCCESSOR COMMITTEES, CONCERNING THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S  
23 PLAN FOR PROVIDING IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES TO THESE CLIENTS,  
24 INCLUDING THE TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SERVICE.

25 (2) An eligible person receiving in-home support services or the  
26 eligible person's authorized representative or parent or guardian shall be  
27 allowed to:

1 (a) Choose the eligible person's in-home support service agency  
2 or the eligible person's attendant; AND

3 (b) DIRECT THE ELIGIBLE PERSON'S CARE, INCLUDING DIRECTLY  
4 SCHEDULING, MANAGING, AND SUPERVISING THE ATTENDANT, AND TO  
5 DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES AGENCY SUPPORT.

6 (4) (a) In-home support service agencies providing in-home  
7 support services shall provide twenty-four-hour back-up services to their  
8 clients. In-home support service agencies shall either contract with or  
9 have on staff a state licensed health care professional, as defined by the  
10 state board by rule, acting within the scope of the person's profession. The  
11 state board shall promulgate rules setting forth the training requirements  
12 for attendants providing in-home support services and the oversight and  
13 monitoring responsibilities of the state licensed health care professional  
14 that is either contracting with or is on staff with the in-home support  
15 service agency. THE STATE BOARD RULES MUST ALLOW THE ELIGIBLE  
16 PERSON OR THE ELIGIBLE PERSON'S AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, PARENT  
17 OF A MINOR, OR GUARDIAN TO DETERMINE, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE  
18 IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES AGENCY, THE AMOUNT OF [REDACTED] OVERSIGHT  
19 NEEDED IN CONNECTION WITH THE ELIGIBLE PERSON'S IN-HOME SUPPORT  
20 SERVICES.

21 (6) Section 25.5-6-310 does not apply to ~~any parent~~ A FAMILY  
22 MEMBER OF AN ELIGIBLE PERSON who provides in-home support services  
23 to ~~an eligible disabled child~~ THE ELIGIBLE PERSON pursuant to this part 12.  
24 THE STATE BOARD SHALL PROMULGATE RULES, AS NECESSARY, TO  
25 ESTABLISH LIMITS ON REIMBURSEMENT TO FAMILY MEMBERS.

26 **SECTION 4.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-6-307, **amend**  
27 (1) introductory portion; and **add** (1) (k) as follows:

1           **25.5-6-307. Services for the elderly, blind, and disabled.**

2           (1) Subject to the provisions of this part 3, home- and community-based  
3           services for the elderly, blind, and disabled shall include only the  
4           following services:

5                   (k) IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICES PROVIDED PURSUANT TO PART 12  
6           OF THIS ARTICLE.

7           **SECTION 5. Appropriation - adjustments to 2014 long bill.**

8           (1) For the implementation of this act, the general fund appropriation  
9           made in the annual general appropriation act to the controlled  
10          maintenance trust fund created in section 24-75-302.5 (2) (a), Colorado  
11          Revised Statutes, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, is decreased  
12          by \$145,983.

13          (2) In addition to any other appropriation, there is hereby  
14          appropriated, to the department of health care policy and financing, for  
15          the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, the sum of \$297,986, or so much  
16          thereof as may be necessary, for allocation to medical services premiums  
17          for the provision of in-home support services related to the  
18          implementation of this act. Of said sum, \$145,983 is from the general  
19          fund, and \$152,002 is from federal funds.

20          **SECTION 6. Act subject to petition - effective date.** This act  
21          takes effect March 1, 2015; except that, if a referendum petition is filed  
22          pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the state constitution against this  
23          act or an item, section, or part of this act within the ninety-day period  
24          after final adjournment of the general assembly, then the act, item,  
25          section, or part will not take effect unless approved by the people at the

1 general election to be held in November 2014 and, in such case, will take  
2 effect on March 1, 2015, or the date of the official declaration of the vote  
3 thereon by the governor, whichever is later.