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HOUSE BILL 15-1309

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	A BILL FOR AN ACT
101	CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF INTERIM THERAPEUTIC
102	RESTORATIONS BY DENTAL HYGIENISTS, AND, IN CONNECTION
103	THEREWITH, ENSURING MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S BASIC
104	HEALTH PLAN REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES PROVIDED
105	THROUGH THE USE OF TELEHEALTH RELATED TO INTERIM
106	THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURES AND MAKING AN
107	APPROPRIATION.

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 allows a dental hygienist to apply to the Colorado dental board for a permit to place interim therapeutic restorations (ITRs). A dental hygienist who meets the following requirements is eligible to receive a permit to place ITRs:

- ! Holds a license in good standing to practice dental hygiene;
- ! Carries professional liability insurance;
- ! Completes the required hours of dental hygiene practice; and
- ! Completes a board-approved course based on uniform standards developed by an ITR advisory committee.

To the extent that state medicaid or children's basic health plan reimbursement is available for the placement of ITRs, the reimbursement will extend to services provided via telehealth in connection with the placement of an ITR.

The bill establishes the interim therapeutic restorations advisory committee to develop uniform standards for training dental hygienists to place ITRs.

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

2 **SECTION 1.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-35-103, add

3 (10.5), (16), and (17) as follows:

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- 4 **12-35-103. Definitions rules.** As used in this article, unless the context otherwise requires:
- 6 (10.5) (a) "Interim therapeutic restoration" or "ITR" means
- A DIRECT PROVISIONAL RESTORATION PLACED TO STABILIZE A TOOTH
- 8 UNTIL A LICENSED DENTIST CAN ASSESS THE NEED FOR FURTHER
- 9 DEFINITIVE TREATMENT.
- 10 (b) (I) "INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION" INVOLVES THE
- 11 REMOVAL OF SOFT MATERIAL USING HAND INSTRUMENTATION, WITHOUT
- 12 THE USE OF ROTARY INSTRUMENTATION, AND THE SUBSEQUENT
- 13 PLACEMENT OF A GLASS IONOMER RESTORATION.
- 14 (II) THE BOARD MAY PROMULGATE RULES REGARDING THE USE OF
- 15 NEW RESTORATIVE MATERIALS IN ADDITION TO THE MATERIALS DESCRIBED

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1	IN SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (b) THAT ARE APPROPRIATE TO
2	THE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE AS THEY BECOME
3	AVAILABLE.
4	(c) "Interim therapeutic restoration" includes protective
5	RESTORATION FOR ADULTS DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION
6	12-35-128.5.
7	(16) "TELEHEALTH BY STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER" MEANS
8	AN ASYNCHRONOUS TRANSMISSION OF MEDICAL OR DENTAL INFORMATION
9	TO BE REVIEWED BY A DENTIST AT A LATER TIME AT A DISTANT SITE
10	WITHOUT THE PATIENT PRESENT IN REAL TIME.
11	(17) "TELEHEALTH SUPERVISION" MEANS INDIRECT SUPERVISION
12	BY A DENTIST OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST PLACING AN ITR USING
13	TELECOMMUNICATIONS SYSTEMS.
14	SECTION 2. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-35-125, add (1)
15	(i) as follows:
16	12-35-125. What constitutes practicing supervised dental
17	hygiene. (1) Unless licensed to practice dentistry, a person who performs
18	any of the following tasks under the supervision of a licensed dentist is
19	deemed to be practicing supervised dental hygiene:
20	(i) PLACES INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS PURSUANT TO
21	SECTION 12-35-128.5.
22	SECTION 3. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 12-35-128.3 as
23	follows:
24	12-35-128.3. Interim therapeutic restorations advisory
25	committee - rules - repeal. (1) There is hereby established in the
26	DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF
27	REGULATORY AGENCIES THE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS

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1	ADVISORY COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING
2	SEVEN MEMBERS APPOINTED PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION (2) OF THIS
3	SECTION:
4	(a) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ACCREDITED DENTAL SCHOOL
5	IN COLORADO;
6	(b) ONE DENTIST WITH A FACULTY APPOINTMENT AT AN
7	ACCREDITED DENTAL SCHOOL IN COLORADO;
8	(c) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM AN ACCREDITED DENTAL HYGIENE
9	SCHOOL IN COLORADO;
10	(d) One faculty member from an accredited dental
11	HYGIENE SCHOOL IN COLORADO;
12	(e) One representative from a statewide association of
13	DENTISTS;
14	(f) ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM A STATEWIDE ASSOCIATION OF
15	DENTAL HYGIENISTS; AND
16	(g) One representative from the division of professions
17	AND OCCUPATIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES OR HIS
18	OR HER DESIGNEE.
19	(2) The speaker of the house of representatives and the
20	PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE SHALL JOINTLY APPOINT ALL MEMBERS OF THE
21	COMMITTEE WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS
22	SECTION. THE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER SHALL ENSURE THAT AT
23	LEAST ONE MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE IS FROM A RURAL REGION OF THE
24	STATE.
25	(3) THE COMMITTEE SHALL:
26	(a) HOLD ITS FIRST MEETING WITHIN SIXTY DAYS AFTER THE
27	EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION;

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1	$(b) \ Develop uniform {\it standards} \ for {\it consistent} \ training for$
2	DENTAL HYGIENISTS PERFORMING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS;
3	AND
4	(c) SUBMIT THE UNIFORM STANDARDS TO THE BOARD WITHIN ONE
5	HUNDRED TWENTY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS SECTION.
6	(4) The members of the committee shall serve without
7	COMPENSATION.
8	(5) THE DIVISION MAY ACCEPT GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS
9	FROM INDIVIDUALS, PRIVATE ORGANIZATIONS, AND FOUNDATIONS FOR THE
10	PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION.
11	(6) THE BOARD MAY ADOPT RULES INCORPORATING THE UNIFORM
12	STANDARDS DEVELOPED BY THE COMMITTEE.
13	(7) This section is repealed, effective December 31, 2016.
14	SECTION 4. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 12-35-128.5 as
15	follows:
16	12-35-128.5. Interim therapeutic restorations by dental
17	hygienists - permitting process - repeal. (1) UPON APPLICATION,
18	ACCOMPANIED BY A FEE IN AN AMOUNT DETERMINED BY THE DIRECTOR,
19	THE BOARD SHALL GRANT A PERMIT TO PLACE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC
20	RESTORATIONS TO ANY DENTAL HYGIENIST APPLICANT WHO:
21	(a) HOLDS A LICENSE IN GOOD STANDING TO PRACTICE DENTAL
22	HYGIENE IN COLORADO;
23	(b) Has completed a course developed at the
24	POST-SECONDARY EDUCATIONAL LEVEL THAT COMPLIES WITH THE
25	UNIFORM STANDARDS DEVELOPED, AND RULES ADOPTED, PURSUANT TO
26	SECTION 12-35-128.3. THE COURSE MUST BE OFFERED UNDER THE DIRECT
2.7	SUPERVISION OF A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY OF A COLORADO DENTAL OR

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1	DENTAL HYGIENE SCHOOL ACCREDITED BY THE COMMISSION ON DENTAL
2	ACCREDITATION OR ITS SUCCESSOR AGENCY. ALL FACULTY RESPONSIBLE
3	FOR CLINICAL EVALUATION OF STUDENTS MUST BE DENTISTS WITH A
4	FACULTY APPOINTMENT AT AN ACCREDITED COLORADO DENTAL OR
5	DENTAL HYGIENE SCHOOL.
6	(c) Carries current professional liability insurance in the
7	AMOUNT SPECIFIED IN SECTION 12-35-141(2), C.R.S.; AND
8	(d) HAS COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING HOURS OF DENTAL HYGIENE
9	PRACTICE AS EVIDENCED IN DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED BY THE BOARD:
10	(I) Two thousand hours of supervised dental hygiene
11	PRACTICE AFTER INITIAL DENTAL HYGIENE LICENSURE;
12	(II) FOUR THOUSAND HOURS OF UNSUPERVISED DENTAL HYGIENE
13	PRACTICE AFTER INITIAL DENTAL HYGIENE LICENSURE; OR
14	(III) A COMBINATION OF THE HOURS SPECIFIED IN SUBPARAGRAPHS
15	(I) AND (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH (d) AS DETERMINED BY THE BOARD BY
16	RULE.
17	(2) The board may waive the requirement in Paragraph (d)
18	OF SUBSECTION (1) OF THIS SECTION FOR A DENTAL HYGIENIST WHO
19	PERFORMS INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS EXCLUSIVELY UNDER
20	THE DIRECT SUPERVISION OF A DENTIST.
21	(3) A DENTAL HYGIENIST SHALL NOT USE LOCAL ANESTHESIA FOR
22	THE PURPOSE OF PLACING INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS.
23	(4) (a) A DENTAL HYGIENIST MAY PLACE AN INTERIM THERAPEUTIC
24	RESTORATION ONLY AFTER A DENTIST PROVIDES A DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT
25	PLAN, AND INSTRUCTION TO PERFORM THE PROCEDURE.
26	(b) If an interim therapeutic restoration is authorized by
27	A SUPERVISING DENTIST AT A LOCATION OTHER THAN THE DENTIST'S

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1	PRACTICE LOCATION, THE DENTAL HYGIENIST SHALL PROVIDE THE PATIENT
2	OR THE PATIENT'S REPRESENTATIVE WITH WRITTEN NOTIFICATION THAT
3	THE CARE WAS PROVIDED AT THE DIRECTION OF THE SUPERVISING DENTIST.
4	THE DENTAL HYGIENIST SHALL INCLUDE IN THE WRITTEN NOTIFICATION
5	THE DENTIST'S NAME, PRACTICE LOCATION ADDRESS, AND TELEPHONE
6	NUMBER.
7	(c) A DENTAL HYGIENIST WHO OBTAINS A DENTIST'S DIAGNOSIS,
8	TREATMENT PLAN, AND INSTRUCTION TO PERFORM AN ITR UTILIZING
9	TELEHEALTH BY STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER SHALL NOTIFY THE
10	PATIENT OF THE PATIENT'S RIGHT TO RECEIVE INTERACTIVE
11	COMMUNICATION WITH THE DISTANT DENTIST UPON REQUEST.
12	COMMUNICATION WITH THE DISTANT DENTIST MAY OCCUR EITHER AT THE
13	TIME OF THE CONSULTATION OR WITHIN THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DENTAL
14	HYGIENIST NOTIFIES THE PATIENT OF THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION.
15	(5) A DENTAL HYGIENIST WHO OBTAINS A PERMIT PURSUANT TO
16	THIS SECTION MAY PLACE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS IN A
17	DENTAL OFFICE SETTING UNDER THE DIRECT OR INDIRECT SUPERVISION OF
18	A DENTIST OR THROUGH TELEHEALTH SUPERVISION FOR PURPOSES OF
19	COMMUNICATION WITH THE DENTIST.
20	(6) A DENTIST SHALL NOT SUPERVISE MORE THAN FIVE DENTAL
21	HYGIENISTS WHO PLACE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS UNDER
22	TELEHEALTH SUPERVISION. A DENTIST WHO SUPERVISES A DENTAL
23	HYGIENIST WHO PROVIDES INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS UNDER
24	TELEHEALTH SUPERVISION MUST HAVE A PHYSICAL PRACTICE LOCATION
25	IN COLORADO FOR PURPOSES OF PATIENT REFERRAL FOR FOLLOW-UP CARE.
26	(7) A DENTAL HYGIENIST SHALL INFORM THE PATIENT OR THE
27	PATIENT'S LEGAL GUARDIAN, IN WRITING, AND REQUIRE THE PATIENT OR

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1	THE PATIENT S LEGAL GUARDIAN TO ACKNOWLEDGE BY SIGNATURE, THAT
2	THE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION IS A TEMPORARY REPAIR TO THE
3	TOOTH AND THAT APPROPRIATE FOLLOW-UP CARE WITH A DENTIST IS
4	NECESSARY.
5	(8) This section is repealed, effective September 1, 2021.
6	PRIOR TO THE REPEAL, THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES
7	SHALL REVIEW THE PERMITTING OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PLACE INTERIM
8	THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 24-34-104, C.R.S.
9	SECTION 5. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 12-35-128.7 as
10	follows:
11	12-35-128.7. Interim therapeutic restorations - gifts, grants,
12	and donations - repeal. (1) THE DIVISION IS AUTHORIZED TO ACCEPT
13	GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS FROM INDIVIDUALS, PRIVATE
14	ORGANIZATIONS, AND FOUNDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE PERMITTING OF
15	DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PLACE INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS
16	UNDER SECTION 12-35-128.5.
17	(2) This section is repealed, effective December 31, 2016.
18	SECTION 6. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 12-35-129, amend
19	(1) (ll) and (1) (mm); and add (1) (nn) as follows:
20	12-35-129. Grounds for disciplinary action. (1) The board may
21	take disciplinary action against an applicant or licensee in accordance
22	with section 12-35-129.1 for any of the following causes:
23	(ll) Administering moderate sedation or deep sedation/general
24	anesthesia without a licensed dentist or other licensed health care
25	professional qualified to administer the relevant level of sedation or
26	anesthesia present in the operatory; or
27	(mm) Failing to complete and maintain records of completing

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1	continuing education as required by section 12-35-139; OR
2	(nn) FAILING TO COMPLY WITH SECTION 12-35-128.5 REGARDING
3	THE PLACEMENT OF INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS.
4	SECTION 7. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 25.5-5-207, add (2)
5	(d) as follows:
6	25.5-5-207. Adult dental benefit - adult dental fund - creation
7	- legislative declaration. (2) (d) Subject to Federal Authorization
8	AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION, ON OR AFTER JULY $1,2016$, The
9	DIAGNOSIS, DEVELOPMENT OF A TREATMENT PLAN, INSTRUCTION TO
10	PERFORM AN INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE, OR
11	SUPERVISION OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST PERFORMING AN INTERIM
12	THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE MAY BE PROVIDED THROUGH
13	TELEHEALTH, INCLUDING STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER, IN
14	ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 25.5-5-321.5.
15	SECTION 8. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 25.5-5-321.5 as
16	follows:
17	25.5-5-321.5. Telehealth - interim therapeutic restorations -
18	reimbursement - definitions. (1) Subject to Federal Authorization
19	AND FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION, ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2016,
20	IN-PERSON CONTACT BETWEEN A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND A
21	RECIPIENT IS NOT REQUIRED UNDER THE STATE'S MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
22	PROGRAM FOR THE DIAGNOSIS, DEVELOPMENT OF A TREATMENT PLAN,
23	INSTRUCTION TO PERFORM AN INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION
24	PROCEDURE, OR SUPERVISION OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST PERFORMING AN
25	INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE. A HEALTH CARE
26	PROVIDER MAY PROVIDE THESE SERVICES THROUGH TELEHEALTH,
27	INCLUDING STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER. AND IS ENTITLED TO

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1	REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE DELIVERY OF THOSE SERVICES VIA TELEHEALTH
2	TO THE EXTENT THE SERVICES ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE FOR
3	REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THE PROGRAM WHEN PROVIDED IN PERSON. THE
4	SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO THE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES DEVELOPED
5	PURSUANT TO THE STATE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
6	(2) As used in this section:
7	(a) "Interim therapeutic restoration" has the same
8	MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 12-35-103 (10.5), C.R.S.
9	(b) "STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER" MEANS A TELEHEALTH BY
10	STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-35-103 (16),
11	C.R.S.
12	SECTION 9. In Colorado Revised Statutes, add 25.5-8-109.5 as
13	follows:
14	25.5-8-109.5. Telehealth - interim therapeutic restorations -
15	$\textbf{reimbursement-definitions.} \ (1) \ \textbf{Subject to federal authorization}$
16	AND FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION, ON OR AFTER JULY 1, 2016, IN-PERSON
17	CONTACT BETWEEN A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER AND AN ENROLLEE IS NOT
18	REQUIRED UNDER THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN FOR THE
19	DIAGNOSIS, DEVELOPMENT OF A TREATMENT PLAN, INSTRUCTION TO
20	PERFORM AN INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE, OR
21	SUPERVISION OF A DENTAL HYGIENIST PERFORMING AN INTERIM
22	THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION PROCEDURE. A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER MAY
23	PROVIDE THESE SERVICES THROUGH TELEHEALTH, INCLUDING
24	STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER, AND IS ENTITLED TO REIMBURSEMENT
25	FOR THE DELIVERY OF THOSE SERVICES VIA TELEHEALTH TO THE EXTENT
26	THE SERVICES ARE OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE FOR REIMBURSEMENT UNDER THE
27	PLAN. THE SERVICES ARE SUBJECT TO THE REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES

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1	DEVELOPED PURSUANT TO THE CHILDREN'S BASIC HEALTH PLAN.
2	(2) AS USED IN THIS SECTION:
3	(a) "Interim therapeutic restoration" has the same
4	MEANING AS SET FORTH IN SECTION 12-35-103 (10.5), C.R.S.
5	(b) "STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER" MEANS A TELEHEALTH BY
6	STORE-AND-FORWARD TRANSFER, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 12-35-103 (16),
7	C.R.S.
8	SECTION 10. In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-104, add
9	(52.5) (d) as follows:
10	24-34-104. General assembly review of regulatory agencies
11	and functions for termination, continuation, or reestablishment.
12	(52.5) The following agencies, functions, or both, terminate on
13	September 1, 2021:
14	(d) THE PERMITTING OF DENTAL HYGIENISTS TO PLACE INTERIM
15	THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 12-35-128.5, C.R.S.
16	SECTION 11. Appropriation. (1) For the 2015-16 state fiscal
17	year, \$37,940 is appropriated to the department of regulatory agencies.
18	This appropriation is from the division of professions and occupations
19	cash fund created in section 24-34-105 (2) (b) (I), C.R.S. To implement
20	this act, the department may use this appropriation as follows:
21	(a) \$30,514 for use by the division of professions and occupations
22	for personal services; and
23	(b) \$7,426 for the purchase of legal services.
24	(2) For the 2015-16 state fiscal year, \$7,426 is appropriated to the
25	department of law. This appropriation is from reappropriated funds
26	received from the department of regulatory agencies under paragraph (b)
27	of subsection (1) of this section. To implement this act, the department of

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1	law may use this appropriation to provide legal services for the
2	department of regulatory agencies.
3	(3) For the 2015-16 state fiscal year, \$11,648 is appropriated to
4	the department of health care policy and financing. This appropriation
5	consists of \$10,815 from the general fund that is subject to the "(M)"
6	notation as defined in the general appropriation act for the same fiscal
7	year, \$759 from the hospital provider fee cash fund created in section
8	25.5-4-402.3 (4), C.R.S., and \$74 from the children's basic health plan
9	trust fund created in section 25.5-8-105 (1), C.R.S. To implement this act,
10	the department may use this appropriation as follows:
11	(a) \$6,300 from the general fund for medicaid management
12	information system maintenance and projects;
13	(b) \$5,205, which consists of \$4,515 from the general fund and
14	\$690 from the hospital provider fee cash fund, for medical service
15	premiums; and
16	(c) \$143, which consists of \$74 from the children's basic health
17	plan trust fund and \$69 from the hospital provider fee cash fund, for
18	children's basic health plan medical and dental costs.
19	(4) For the 2015-16 state fiscal year, the general assembly
20	anticipates that the department of health care policy and financing will
21	receive \$25,958 federal funds to implement this act. The appropriation in
22	subsection (3) of this section is based on the assumption that the
23	department will receive this amount of federal funds to be used as
24	follows:
25	(a) \$18,900 for medicaid management information system
26	maintenance and projects;
27	(b) \$6,012 for medical service premiums; and

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1	(c) \$1,046 for children's basic health plan medical and dental costs.
2	SECTION 12. Act subject to petition - effective date. This act
3	takes effect at 12:01 a.m. on the day following the expiration of the
4	ninety-day period after final adjournment of the general assembly (August
5	5, 2015, if adjournment sine die is on May 6, 2015); except that, if a
6	referendum petition is filed pursuant to section 1 (3) of article V of the
7	state constitution against this act or an item, section, or part of this act
8	within such period, then the act, item, section, or part will not take effect
9	unless approved by the people at the general election to be held in
10	November 2016 and, in such case, will take effect on the date of the
11	official declaration of the vote thereon by the governor.

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