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HOUSE BILL No. 1595

DIGEST OF HB 1595 (Updated January 28, 2025 8:49 am - DI 140)

Citations Affected: IC 12-15.

Synopsis: Long term care insurance partnership program. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to reapply before September 1, 2025, for a Medicaid state plan amendment that provides for the establishment of the long term care partnership program and the discontinuance of the current long term care program.

Effective: July 1, 2025.

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January 21, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health. January 28, 2025, reported — Do Pass.



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PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in this style type, and deletions will appear in this style type.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or *this style type* reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2024 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

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

1	SECTION 1. IC 12-15-1.3-22, AS AMENDED BY P.L.9-2022,
2	SECTION 18, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE
3	JULY 1, 2025]: Sec. 22. (a) Before September 1, 2021, 2025 , the office
4	must apply reapply to the United States Department of Health and
5	Human Services for a state plan amendment that:
6	(1) provides for establishment of the long term care partnership
7	program as described in IC 12-15-39.8;
8	(2) provides that the long term care program established under
9	IC 12-15-39.6 shall be discontinued on the date on which the long
10	term care partnership program described in IC 12-15-39.8 is fully
11	implemented; and
12	(3) ensures, with the explicit concurrence of the United States
13	Department of Health and Human Services, that an individual
14	who purchased a qualified long term care policy (as defined in
15	IC 12-15-39.6-5) before the discontinuance of the long term care
16	program established under IC 12-15-39.6 shall be eligible for an
17	asset disregard under IC 12-15-39.6-10:

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1	(A) notwithstanding the discontinuance of the long term care
2 3 4 5	program, as provided in IC 12-15-39.6-12; and
3	(B) even though a qualified long term care policy (as defined
4	in IC 12-15-39.6-5):
	(i) was issued before the date of the state plan amendment
6	requested under this subsection;
7	(ii) is not tax qualified; and
8	(iii) does not meet the standards of Section 6021 of the
9	federal Deficit Reduction Act (P.L.109–171).
10	(b) If the office receives approval for the state plan amendment
11	described in subsection (a):
12	(1) the office shall implement the state plan amendment not later
13	than sixty (60) days after the state plan amendment is approved;
14	and
15	(2) the office shall publish in the Indiana Register under
16	IC 4-22-7-7 a statement:
17	(A) announcing that the state plan amendment described in
18	subsection (a) has been approved by the United States
19	Department of Health and Human Services; and
20	(B) setting forth the date on which:
21	(i) the office will fully implement the state plan amendment
22	under subdivision (1); and
23	(ii) the long term care program established under
24	IC 12-15-39.6 will be discontinued.
25	(c) If the office does not receive approval for a state plan
26	amendment described in subsection (a):
27	(1) the office shall take no action under subsection (b); and
28	(2) the office and the department of insurance:
29	(A) shall study:
30	(i) the long term care program established under
31	IC 12-15-39.6, including the affordability and cost
32	effectiveness of the program for individuals who purchase
33	qualified long term care policies (as defined in
34	IC 12-15-39.6-5); and
35	(ii) the affordability and cost effectiveness of long term care
36	partnership programs established under Section 6021 of the
37	federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005;
38	(B) may solicit the comments and recommendations of
39	individuals with experience and expertise in the fields of
40	Medicaid, insurance, personal finance, and government
41	concerning the subjects set forth in clause (A);
42	(C) shall make findings and recommendations concerning

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1	ways in which the affordability and cost effectiveness of the
2	long term care program established under IC 12-15-39.6 can
3	be improved; and
4	(D) shall, not later than December 1, 2022: 2026:
5	(i) issue a report setting forth the findings and
6	recommendations made under clause (C); and
7	(ii) submit the report to the executive director of the
8	legislative services agency in an electronic format under
9	IC 5-14-6 for distribution to the members of the general
10	assembly.



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Public Health, to which was referred House Bill 1595, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1595 as introduced.)

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Committee Vote: Yeas 13, Nays 0

