SENATE BILL No. 122

By Committee on Public Health and Welfare

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AN ACT concerning foster care; relating to foster care youth and certain former foster care youth; providing medicaid and educational services thereto.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) The department of health and environment shall contract for one non-profit managed care organization to administer state medicaid services using a capitated managed care delivery system for the following persons, who shall be mandatory enrollees for state medicaid services under such system with such managed care organization:

- (1) Any child under the age of 18 placed away from the child's parents or guardians and for whom the Kansas department for children and families has placement and care responsibility;
- (2) any person between the ages of 18 and 26 who was described by paragraph (1) immediately prior to the date the person attained 18 years of age; and
- (3) any child under the age of 18 who was placed away from the child's parents or guardians and for whom the Kansas department for children and families had placement and care responsibility but who was subsequently adopted pursuant to the revised Kansas code for care of children.
- (b) The department of health and environment shall require that any bidder submitting a bid to provide the services described in subsection (a):
- (1) Administer state medicaid services using a capitated managed care delivery system to the persons described in subsection (a) beginning on July 1, 2020;
- (2) have experience administering a system similar to the system described in this section on a statewide basis;
- (3) provide and coordinate services that promote employment, housing, education, food security, transportation, transition to adulthood and other determinants of health;
- (4) use a money-follows-the-person model for covered persons receiving state medicaid services and educational services described in section 2, and amendments thereto;
- (5) coordinate for provision of and reimbursement for educational services described in section 2, and amendments thereto, including, but not

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 limited to, coordination to ensure that students are enrolled in academic instruction that leads to graduation;

- (6) coordinate with the Kansas department for children and families, including, but not limited to, child protective services staff;
- (7) coordinate with enrollee caregivers, including, but not limited to, kinship care placement caregivers and foster care placement caregivers;
- (8) coordinate with the judicial system regarding proceedings under the revised Kansas code for care of children;
- (9) comply with any requirements imposed by the department of health and environment relating to access to service providers; and
- (10) implement a policy requiring that, if an enrollee is discharged from a psychiatric residential treatment facility because the managed care organization determines that such treatment is no longer a medical necessity, then the psychiatric residential treatment facility and the managed care organization shall coordinate with interested parties and determine an appropriate placement and services for the enrollee within three business days.
- (c) The department of health and environment shall issue a request for proposals soliciting bids for the contract described in this section on or before July 1, 2019.
- (d) The department of health and environment shall submit to the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services any approval request necessary to implement this section.
- Sec. 2. (a) The state board of education shall provide, and may contract with one or more organizations to provide, an internet-based delivery system for academic instruction and support described in subsection (b) to the following persons who are attending school in any of the grades nine through 12:
- (1) Children under the age of 18 placed away from the child's parents or guardians and for whom the Kansas department for children and families has placement and care responsibility;
- (2) persons between the ages of 18 and 26 who were described by paragraph (1) immediately prior to the date the person attained 18 years of age; and
- (3) children under the age of 18 who were placed away from the child's parents or guardians and for whom the Kansas department for children and families had placement and care responsibility but who was subsequently adopted pursuant to the revised Kansas code for care of children.
- (b) The state board of education shall require that the internet-based delivery system for academic instruction and support include, as part of such system, the following:
 - (1) A central distance learning instructional system that:

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- (A) Provides educational courses that are offered for credit;
- (B) requires a student to make academic progress toward the next grade level for progress toward high school graduation;
- (C) requires the student to demonstrate competence in subject matter for each course in which the student is enrolled; and
- (D) requires age-appropriate students to complete state assessment tests;
- (2) an academic and career support system provided by a state-based national nonprofit organization that:
- (A) Focuses on students who are identified as at-risk or who face other identifiable barriers to success;
- (B) provides peer-reviewed, evidence-based instruction and support services inside and outside the school setting to the students identified in subsection (a); and
- (C) evaluates objective outcomes data for such students, including, but not limited to, academic progress, graduation rates, pursuit of postsecondary education or career advancement;
- (3) a comprehensive individual academic and development plan for each participating student; and
 - (4) a dedicated case manager for participating students.
- (c) The state board of education shall implement the academic instruction and support system required by this section as follows:
- (1) For school year 2020-2021 and each school year thereafter, for any person described in subsection (a) who is enrolled or who enrolls in U.S.D. no. 501 in Topeka, Kansas;
- (2) for school year 2021-2022 and each school year thereafter, for any person described in subsection (a) who is enrolled or who enrolls in U.S.D. no. 259 in Wichita, Kansas; and
- (3) for school year 2022-2023 and each school year thereafter, for any person described in subsection (a) who is enrolled or who enrolls in U.S.D. no. 500 in Kansas City, Kansas.
- (d) The state board of education, or any organization contracted to provide services under this section, shall coordinate with the managed care organization selected to administer state medicaid services under section 1, and amendments thereto, for payment for services provided under this section
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.