

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0162

Medical treatment opportunity act.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Romero-Martinez, Clifford,
Connolly, Harshman, Provenza and Zwonitzer

A BILL

for

1 AN ACT relating to Medicaid; requiring collaboration
2 concerning the expansion of Medicaid eligibility;
3 authorizing the expansion of Medicaid eligibility as
4 specified; requiring reports and notice as specified;
5 repealing prior authorizations; providing a sunset
6 provision; and providing for an effective date.

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8 *Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:*

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10 **Section 1.**

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12 (a) As directed by the governor, the insurance
13 commissioner of this state and the director of the
14 department of health shall collaborate together and work
15 with the centers for Medicare and Medicaid services of the

1 United States department of health to explore options for
2 the expansion of Medicaid eligibility as authorized by the
3 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, P.L. 111-148 or
4 any other federal law that replaces that act before the
5 repeal of this section.

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7 (b) If the collaboration required by subsection (a)
8 of this section reveals viable and fiscally advantageous
9 options as determined by the governor for the expansion of
10 Medicaid eligibility in Wyoming, the governor by and
11 through the department of health is authorized to pursue
12 any Medicaid state plan amendments or other waivers that
13 are necessary and prudent for the expansion.

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15 (c) Before making application to expand Medicaid
16 eligibility pursuant to subsection (b) of this section, the
17 governor shall provide notice to the legislature in
18 writing. The governor also shall provide a report to the
19 joint labor, health and social services interim committee
20 and the joint appropriations committee detailing the
21 reasons for the expansion, the means for having the
22 expansion approved, the amount of any funding necessary for
23 the expansion and the reasons that the expansion is viable

1 and fiscally advantageous for Wyoming. The notice and
2 reports shall be submitted to the legislature not less than
3 three (3) months before the governor makes application to
4 expand Medicaid eligibility under this act to allow the
5 legislature adequate notice to call a special session for
6 consideration of the expansion before the effective date of
7 any obligations binding on the state.

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9 (d) This section is repealed effective January 1,
10 2023.

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12 **Section 2.** 2013 Wyoming Session Laws, Chapter 116,
13 Section 5 is repealed.

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15 **Section 3.** This act is effective immediately upon
16 completion of all acts necessary for a bill to become law
17 as provided by Article 4, Section 8 of the Wyoming
18 Constitution.

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