



1 payment levels as provided in this section on July 1, 2027, and on January 1, 2028.

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3 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Direction to department of public health and human services. The  
4 legislature directs the department of public health and human services to apply for a state plan amendment no  
5 later than January 1, 2028, to make assisted living facility services currently covered under the big sky waiver a  
6 service covered under the community first choice option available under the medicaid program.

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8 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Reporting requirements -- big sky waiver and community first  
9 choice programs. (1) Each quarter of the 2029 biennium, the department of public health and human services  
10 shall report the following information for the preceding quarter to the health and human services interim budget  
11 committee provided for in 5-12-501:

12 (a) the average number of people served each month through the big sky waiver and the  
13 community first choice option administered by the division overseeing long-term care services;

14 (b) the average number of people on the waiting list for the big sky waiver each month;

15 (c) any changes in the number of providers participating in the community first choice option;

16 (d) the average per-capita expenditures in the big sky waiver and the community first choice  
17 option; and

18 (e) the average utilization rate of individual service plan allotments in the community first choice  
19 option.

20 (2) The reports must be provided in electronic format and presented to the committee in person.

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22 NEW SECTION. Section 5. Codification instruction. [Section 1] is intended to be codified as an  
23 integral part of Title 53, chapter 6, and the provisions of Title 53, chapter 6, apply to [section 1].

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25 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Effective date. [This act] is effective July 1, 2027.

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