

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS31302 / H0577

This legislation authorizes the Department of Health and Welfare to seek approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to establish a program for state directed payments under Idaho's Managed Care statute. Directed payments are the mechanism that states with managed care plans use to provide supplemental payments to hospitals to offset losses associated with providing services to Medicaid patients. The Idaho Behavioral Health Plan is the first time that hospitals have been contracted through a managed care program.

FISCAL NOTE

This legislation causes no additional expenditure of funds at the state or local government nor does it cause an increase or decrease in revenue for the state or local government therefore the legislation has no fiscal impact.

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