

HOUSE BILL No. 1028

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-15-1.3-26.

Synopsis: Medicaid coverage for health related social needs. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to apply, not later than October 1, 2026, for approval of a Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration waiver to provide coverage for health related social needs.

Effective: July 1, 2026.

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December 1, 2025, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



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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.

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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 12-15-1.3-26 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: **Sec. 26. (a) As used in this section,**
4 **"health related social needs" means an individual's unmet, adverse**
5 **social conditions that contribute to poor health outcomes, such as**
6 **food insecurity, housing instability, unemployment, or lack of**
7 **transportation.**
8 **(b) Not later than October 1, 2026, the office of the secretary**
9 **shall apply to the United States Department of Health and Human**
10 **Services for approval of a Section 1115 Medicaid demonstration**
11 **waiver to provide Medicaid coverage for health related social**
12 **needs, including coverage for the following:**
13 **(1) Housing supports.**
14 **(2) Nutrition supports.**
15 **(3) Any other health related social needs services identified by**
16 **the office of the secretary.**

