

HOUSE BILL No. 1212

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 12-15-1.3-27.

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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January 5, 2026, read first time and referred to Committee on Public Health.



Introduced

Second Regular Session of the 124th General Assembly (2026)

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.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2025 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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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 12-15-1.3-27 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
2 CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
3 [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 27. (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.

