



SENATE MOTION

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that Engrossed House Bill 1277 be amended to read as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
2 A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning human services.
3 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
4 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) As used in this**
5 **SECTION, "covered population" has the meaning set forth in**
6 **IC 12-15-13-1.8(a).**
7 **(b) The legislative council is urged to assign to the appropriate**
8 **interim study committee during the 2026 interim the task of**
9 **studying the following:**
10 **(1) Whether the office of the secretary of family and social**
11 **services should apply to the United States Department of**
12 **Health and Human Services for a Medicaid waiver to provide**
13 **assisted living services in a waiver separate from the current**
14 **Medicaid home and community based services waiver that**
15 **includes assisted living service as an available service,**
16 **including the following:**
17 **(A) Whether to transfer current waiver slots from the**
18 **existing waiver to a new waiver.**
19 **(B) Whether a recipient under a new assisted living waiver**
20 **described in this subsection should be able to choose**
21 **whether the provider of assisted living services or the**
22 **office of the secretary of family and social services**
23 **provides integrated health care coordination for the**
24 **recipient.**
25 **(2) Whether the office of the secretary of family and social**
26 **services should apply to the United States Department of**
27 **Health and Human Services for an amendment to the**
28 **Medicaid home and community based services waiver**

1 **concerning the provision of services to individuals who are at**
2 **least sixty (60) years of age and meet nursing facility level of**
3 **care requirements to establish an individual cost limit of not**
4 **more than the institutional cost of nursing facility services.**
5 **(3) Whether an individual receiving services under a home**
6 **and community based services waiver should be allowed the**
7 **choice of the provider of the waiver services.**
8 **(4) Whether an individual receiving nursing facility services**
9 **under the Medicaid program should receive Medicaid**
10 **services:**
11 **(A) as a covered population through a risk based managed**
12 **care program;**
13 **(B) under the Medicaid fee for service program; or**
14 **(C) through a combination of the programs described in**
15 **subdivisions (1) and (2) for specified time periods.**
16 **(5) Review and consider best practices for implementing and**
17 **maintaining home and community based services Medicaid**
18 **waiver wait lists.**
19 **(c) This SECTION expires December 31, 2026.**
20 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**
 (Reference is to EHB 1277 as printed February 20, 2026.)

Senator FORD J.D.