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## SENATE BILL No. 275

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 12-11-2.1-3, AS AMENDED BY P.L.99-2007,  
2 SECTION 78, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
3 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 3. **(a)** All services provided to an individual must  
4 be provided under the individual service plan of the individual with a  
5 disability. To the extent that services described in IC 12-11-1.1-1(e) are  
6 available and meet the individual's needs, services provided to an  
7 individual shall be provided in the least restrictive environment  
8 possible.

9 **(b) Pursuant to the applicable home and community based**  
10 **services waiver, a request to increase service units on an**  
11 **individual's approved service plan must be submitted to the bureau**  
12 **for review and approval or denial not later than forty-five (45)**  
13 **calendar days from the first day of the qualifying event, as**  
14 **prescribed by the bureau.**

15 SECTION 2. IC 12-15-2-3.5, AS AMENDED BY P.L.210-2015,  
16 SECTION 45, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
17 JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 3.5. An individual:

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- 1 (1) who is:  
 2 (A) at least sixty-five (65) years of age; or  
 3 (B) disabled, as determined by the Supplemental Security  
 4 Income program; and  
 5 (2) whose income and resources do not exceed those levels  
 6 established by the Supplemental Security Income program;  
 7 is eligible to receive Medicaid assistance. ~~if the individual's family~~  
 8 ~~income does not exceed one hundred percent (100%) of the federal~~  
 9 ~~income poverty level for the same size family, using income counting~~  
 10 ~~standards and criteria established by the federal Social Security~~  
 11 ~~Administration.~~  
 12 SECTION 3. IC 12-15-2-26, AS ADDED BY P.L.278-2013,  
 13 SECTION 8, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 14 JULY 1, 2027]: Sec. 26. (a) This section applies beginning the later of  
 15 the following:  
 16 (1) The date that the office is informed that the United States  
 17 Department of Health and Human Services has approved  
 18 Indiana's conversion to 1634 status within the Medicaid  
 19 program.  
 20 (2) January 1, 2014.  
 21 (b) As used in this section, "qualified Medicare beneficiary"  
 22 means an individual defined in 42 U.S.C. 1396d(p)(1).  
 23 (c) As used in this section, "qualifying individual" refers to an  
 24 individual described in 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(E)(iv).  
 25 (d) As used in this section, "specified low-income Medicare  
 26 beneficiary" refers to an individual described in 42 U.S.C.  
 27 1396a(a)(10)(E)(iii).  
 28 (e) The following individuals are eligible for the specified  
 29 coverage under this section:  
 30 (1) A qualified Medicare beneficiary whose:  
 31 (A) income does not exceed one hundred ~~fty~~ percent  
 32 ~~(150%) (100%)~~ of the federal income poverty level; and  
 33 (B) resources do not exceed the resource limits established  
 34 by the office;  
 35 is eligible for Medicare Part A and Medicare Part B premiums,  
 36 coinsurance, and deductibles.  
 37 (2) A specified low-income Medicare beneficiary whose:  
 38 (A) income does not exceed one hundred ~~seventy twenty~~  
 39 ~~percent (170%) (120%)~~ of the federal income poverty level;  
 40 and  
 41 (B) resources do not exceed the resource limits set by the  
 42 office;

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1 is eligible for coverage of Medicare Part B premiums.  
 2 (3) A qualifying individual whose:  
 3 (A) income does not exceed one hundred ~~eighty-five~~  
 4 **thirty-five** percent (~~+85%~~) (**135%**) of the federal income  
 5 poverty level; and  
 6 (B) resources do not exceed the resource limits set by the  
 7 office;  
 8 is eligible for coverage of Medicare Part B premiums.  
 9 (f) The office may adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 to implement this  
 10 section.  
 11 SECTION 4. IC 12-15-14-8, AS AMENDED BY P.L.241-2023,  
 12 SECTION 15, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 13 UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 8. (a) The office may implement an end of  
 14 therapy reclassification methodology in the RUG-IV, 48-Group model  
 15 or its successor for payment of nursing facility services.  
 16 (b) Before the office changes a health facility service  
 17 reimbursement that results in a reduction in reimbursement, the office  
 18 shall provide public notice of at least ~~one (+) year~~ **six (6) months**. The  
 19 public notice under this subsection:  
 20 (1) is not a rulemaking action or part of the administrative  
 21 rulemaking process under IC 4-22; and  
 22 (2) must include the fiscal impact of the proposed  
 23 reimbursement change.  
 24 SECTION 5. IC 29-1-14-1, AS AMENDED BY P.L.99-2024,  
 25 SECTION 9, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE  
 26 JULY 1, 2026]: Sec. 1. (a) Except as provided in IC 29-1-7-7, all  
 27 claims against a decedent's estate, other than expenses of  
 28 administration and claims of the United States, the state, or a  
 29 subdivision of the state, whether due or to become due, absolute or  
 30 contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, founded on contract or  
 31 otherwise, shall be forever barred against the estate, the personal  
 32 representative, the heirs, devisees, and legatees of the decedent, unless  
 33 filed with the court in which such estate is being administered within:  
 34 (1) three (3) months after the date of the first published notice to  
 35 creditors; or  
 36 (2) three (3) months after the court has revoked probate of a will,  
 37 in accordance with IC 29-1-7-21, if the claimant was named as  
 38 a beneficiary in that revoked will;  
 39 whichever is later.  
 40 (b) No claim shall be allowed which was barred by any statute of  
 41 limitations at the time of decedent's death.  
 42 (c) No claim shall be barred by the statute of limitations which was

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1 not barred at the time of the decedent's death, if the claim shall be filed  
2 within:

3 (1) three (3) months after the date of the first published notice to  
4 creditors; or

5 (2) three (3) months after the court has revoked probate of a will,  
6 in accordance with IC 29-1-7-21, if the claimant was named as  
7 a beneficiary in that revoked will;

8 whichever is later.

9 (d) All claims barrable under subsection (a) shall be barred if not  
10 filed within nine (9) months after the death of the decedent.

11 (e) Nothing in this section shall affect or prevent any action or  
12 proceeding to enforce any mortgage, pledge, or other lien upon  
13 property of the estate.

14 (f) Nothing in this section shall affect or prevent the enforcement  
15 of a claim for injury to person or damage to property arising out of  
16 negligence against the estate of a deceased tort feisor within the period  
17 of the statute of limitations provided for the tort action. A tort claim  
18 against the estate of the tort feisor may be opened or reopened and suit  
19 filed against the special representative of the estate within the period  
20 of the statute of limitations of the tort. Any recovery against the tort  
21 feisor's estate shall not affect any interest in the assets of the estate  
22 unless the suit was filed within the time allowed for filing claims  
23 against the estate. The rules of pleading and procedure in such cases  
24 shall be the same as apply in ordinary civil actions.

25 (g) A claim by the unit against a decedent's estate is forever barred  
26 unless:

27 (1) the unit files a claim in the court in which the decedent's  
28 estate is being administered; or

29 (2) the unit opens an estate for the decedent and files a claim  
30 against the decedent in the estate;

31 not later than ~~one hundred twenty~~ **three hundred sixty-five**  
32 **(365)** days after the date of death of the decedent.

33 SECTION 6. **An emergency is declared for this act.**

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