Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2240

Introduced by

Senators Hogan, Lee

Representatives Dobervich, Strinden

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-24.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to the Medicaid expansion program; and to provide an appropriation.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 4 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 50-24.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code is 5 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 50-24.1-37. Medicaid expansion - Legislative management report. (Contingent repeal -

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- 1. The department shall expand medical assistance coverage as authorized by the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act [Pub. L. 111-148], as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010 [Pub. L. 111-152] to individuals under sixty-five years of age with income below one hundred thirty-eight percent of the federal poverty line published by the federal office of management and budget applicable to the household size.
 - 2. The department shall inform new enrollees in the medical assistance expansion program that benefits may be reduced or eliminated if federal participation decreases or is eliminated.
- Except for pharmacy services and coverages for individuals ages nineteen and twenty, 3. the department shall implement the expansion by bidding through private carriers or utilizing the health insurance exchange.
- 20 4. The contract between the department and the private carrier must provide the department with full access to provider reimbursement rates. The department shall consider provider reimbursement rate information in selecting a private carrier under 23 this section. Before August first of each even-numbered year, the department shall

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- submit a report to the legislative management regarding provider reimbursement rates under the medical assistance expansion program.
 - 5. Provider reimbursement rate information received by the department under this section is an open record.
- 6. By January 1, 2025, the department shall implement at least one dual special needs
 medical assistance expansion plan for dual-eligible Medicaid enrollees. The
 department shall establish standards for care coordination services that must be
 provided to enrollees under the plan under this subsection.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAID EXPANSION PROGRAM. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$356,269, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of health and human services for the purpose of implementing a medical assistance expansion dual special needs plan, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. The department is authorized one and one-half full-time equivalent positions to implement the medical assistance expansion dual special needs plan.