

SENATE BILL NO. 2272

Introduced by

Senators Axness, Casper, Mathern

Representatives Hogan, Holman, Mooney

1 A BILL for an Act to ~~create and enact a new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota~~
2 ~~Century Code, relating to medical assistance coverage for certain services provided by pediatric~~
3 ~~therapists; and to~~ provide an appropriation to the department of human services and the
4 department of public instruction.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 ~~SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created~~
7 ~~and enacted as follows:~~

8 ~~Physical therapy services, occupational therapy services, and speech therapy~~
9 ~~services -- Licensed pediatric therapists.~~

10 ~~The department of human services shall adopt rules entitling licensed pediatric therapists to~~
11 ~~payment for physical therapy services, occupational therapy services, and speech therapy~~
12 ~~services provided to recipients of medical assistance.~~

13 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES -- PEDIATRIC**
14 **THERAPISTS SERVICES.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the
15 state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of ~~\$2,750,000~~ \$1,364,539, or so much of the
16 sum as may be necessary, and from special funds derived from federal funds, the sum of
17 ~~\$2,750,000~~ \$2,775,371, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of
18 human services for the purpose of ~~providing~~ increasing the payment levels for physical therapy
19 services, occupational therapy services, and speech therapy services to recipients of medical
20 assistance, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

21 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.** There is
22 appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise
23 appropriated, the sum of \$1,410,832, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the
24 department of public instruction for the purpose of increasing the payment levels for physical

- 1 therapy services, occupational therapy services, and speech therapy services to recipients of
- 2 medical assistance, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.