House Bill Nos. 1012, 1425,	1468, 1485; Senate Bill Nos.	2036, 2037, 2138, 2200, 2271, 2305, 2399

2025-27 legislative appropriations	FTE Positions 2,688.35	General Fund \$2,227,783,063	Other Funds \$3,590,253,907	Total \$5,818,036,970
2025-27 base budget	2,483.83	2,011,427,547	3,541,730,000	5,553,157,547
Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget	204.52	\$216,355,516	\$48,523,907	\$264,879,423

## ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2025-27 legislative appropriations	\$2,187,623,882	\$40,159,181	\$2,227,783,063
2023-25 legislative appropriations	2,011,427,547	39,682,172	2,051,109,719
2025-27 legislative increase (decrease) to 2023-25 appropriations	\$176,196,335	\$477,009	\$176,673,344
Percentage increase (decrease) to 2023-25 appropriations	8.76%	1.2%	8.61%

# SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS Changes to Base Budget

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
The legislative action:				
Adjusted funding for base budget changes departmentwide		(\$20,334,222)	\$93,526,181	\$73,191,959
Added funding for cost and caseload changes departmentwide		171,270,319	(98,292,545)	72,977,774
Underfunded operating expenses departmentwide		(3,050,000)		(3,050,000)
Salaries and Wages Block Grant:				
Added funding to provide employee salary increases of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026		14,026,699	5,849,454	19,876,153
Added funding for employee health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium estimate of \$1,893 per month		10,658,074	4,615,710	15,273,784
Added funding to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool, including \$115,102 for new positions and \$2,323,925 for vacant positions (public health not in block grant 2023-25 biennium)		634,154	1,804,873	2,439,027

Underfunded salaries and wages departmentwide (human service operating fund)	(9,657,874)	4,728,962	(4,928,912)
Adjusted FTE positions	204.52		
Business Operations:			
Added funding for increases in information technology (IT) rates	5,196,748	2,152,302	7,349,050
Increased funding for costs of IT contracts	20,730,788		20,730,788
Added funding for increases in rates charged by the Attorney General's office and the Office of Administrative Hearings	190,590		190,590
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for costs to retire mainframe applications (\$6 million federal, \$4 million human service finance fund)		10,000,000	10,000,000
Behavioral Health:			
Added funding related to an opioid settlement		8,000,000	8,000,000
Provided funding for a remote crisis intervention solution for law enforcement (community health trust fund)		1,000,000	1,000,000
Provided funding to expand use of the substance use disorder (SUD) voucher for addiction treatment and recovery services	2,500,000		2,500,000
Provided funding for SUD for medical expenses in institutions for mental disease facilities	250,000		250,000
Provided additional SUD funding for 50/50 inpatient/outpatient services	500,000		500,000
Provided equity funding for behavioral health staff in western North Dakota	250,536		250,536
Provided additional funding for inflationary increases in crisis residential contracts	706,233		706,233
Provided additional funding for inflationary increases in addiction residential contracts	917,786		917,786
Provided additional funding for inflationary increases in recovery and rehabilitation contracts	2,154,668		2,154,668
Reduced inflationary adjustment for vendor contracts	(2,000,000)		(2,000,000)
Provided funding to expand training and education for collaborative treatment for traumatized youth	408,000		408,000
Provided funding for out-of-home residential services for Medicaid- eligible children with serious emotional disorders	1,351,997		1,351,997

Added funding to continue existing levels of the free through recovery and community connect programs	4,761,081		4,761,081
Provided increased funding to the community connect program for individuals with behavioral health concerns	4,458,814		4,458,814
Provided funding to expand the free through recovery program for individuals involved with the criminal justice system who have behavioral health concerns	4,016,908		4,016,908
Increased funding for peer support utilizing a trained individual with lived experience of recovery from mental illness, substance abuse, or brain injury	137,990		137,990
Provided funding to expand the treatment court in partnership with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation and the court system	200,000		200,000
Provided funding for a 2 percent annual provider inflation increase	2,541,299		2,541,299
Adjusted funding to reflect increased revenue from the certified community behavioral health clinics (human service finance fund)	(2,000,000)	2,000,000	
Provided funding to implement and administer the juvenile fitness to proceed process (Senate Bill No. 2036)	500,000		500,000
Provided funding for the 988 crisis hotline (Senate Bill No. 2200) (community health trust fund)		500,000	500,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for an on-premise data backup and recovery system for the electronic health record data (strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF))		500,000	500,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for data extraction and migration from the electronic health record legacy system (SIIF)		1,000,000	1,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to create a redundant network line for failover in the event of a primary network loss for the State Hospital (SIIF)		500,000	500,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for community-based partial hospitalization and intensive day treatment programs for mental health disorders and SUD (community health trust fund)		2,000,000	2,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to remodel bathrooms at the Southeast Human Service Center (SIIF)		972,000	972,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for a grant to a behavioral health facility in the northeast human service region (SIIF)		12,960,000	12,960,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for a behavioral health facility in the northwest human service region	1,500,000		1,500,000

Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a grant to a behavioral health facility in the west central human service region (House Bill No. 1468) (SIIF)		16,000,000	16,000,000	
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to provide treatment for participants in prosecution-led diversion programs (House Bill No. 1425) (SIIF)		750,000	750,000	
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to contract for juvenile fitness to proceed evaluation services (Senate Bill No. 2037)	300,000		300,000	
Human Services:				
Added funding to assist with adoption services	4,883,205		4,883,205	
Provided funding for permanent supported housing, including rental assistance for target population per a United States Department of Justice settlement	300,000		300,000	
Added funding for people with special health needs to move out of institutional settings or to divert them from institutions to community-based settings	2,733,934	2,555,463	5,289,397	
Provided funding to create host home services in the developmental disability waiver	1,689,900	1,689,900	3,379,800	
Provided funding for adult protective services to respond to reports of abuse or neglect of vulnerable adults	718,522		718,522	
Added funding for 2 defense attorneys contracted by North Dakota indigent defense to specialize in child welfare	350,000	350,000	700,000	
Provided funding for a 2 percent annual provider inflationary increase	12,988,702	13,926,186	26,914,888	
Added funding for zone employee salary increases (human service finance fund)		5,002,833	5,002,833	
Adjusted funding for the federal medical assistance percentage (FMAP) estimate change from 50 to 51.99 percent	(6,253,560)	2,707,560	(3,546,000)	
Adjusted funding for the low-income home energy assistance program		(9,000,000)	(9,000,000)	
Adjusted funding to reflect lower foster care caseload projections	(9,000,000)	(9,000,000)	(18,000,000)	
Removed ongoing funding for the Waterford Upstart program	(2,400,000)		(2,400,000)	
Provided funding for Ministry on the Margins	285,000		285,000	
Provided funding for Fraser LTD	300,000		300,000	
Removed ongoing funding for guardianship services	(6,532,355)		(6,532,355)	
Added funding for an adaptive recreation winter park grant	200,000		200,000	

Reduced funding to reflect lower developmental disabilities grants utilization estimates	(4,900,000)	(5,100,000)	(10,000,000)
Reduced funding to reflect a lower estimated caseload at the Life Skills and Transition Center	(2,500,000)		(2,500,000)
Provided funding to implement a comprehensive vocational rehabilitation technology system to connect people with disabilities to employment (community health trust fund)		1,000,000	1,000,000
Provided funding for elderly care in rural areas (Senate Bill No. 2138)	200,000		200,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to expand the best in class program to provide a total of \$16 million	4,000,000		4,000,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> to continue grants and resources to child care providers for infrastructure, startups, and expansions	3,000,000		3,000,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for early childhood quality infrastructure support for quality cohort participants and providers receiving intensive coaching	3,000,000		3,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for inclusion supports for children with special needs at private child care programs	172,500		172,500
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to expand access to the teaching strategies outcome measurement tool	100,000		100,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for quality tiers in child care assistance program	1,500,000		1,500,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for home renovation incentives for accessibility (SIIF)		1,000,000	1,000,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> to replace the roof on the Cedar Grove building at the Life Skills and Transition Center (SIIF)		712,480	712,480
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to retire the economic assistance and Medicaid legacy systems on the mainframe (SIIF and federal funds)		2,000,000	2,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for the conversion of the developmental disability eligibility assessment tool for kids from Inventory for Client and Agency Planning to Supports Intensity Scale (federal funds)	200,000	200,000	400,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for a community cultural center programming grant located in the west central human service region (community health trust fund)		300,000	300,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for an intermediate care facility grant to the Anne Carlsen Center (community health trust fund)		4,400,000	4,400,000

Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for juvenile justice diversion services (human service finance fund)		750,000	750,000
Provided one-time funding for infant and toddler care	11,000,000		11,000,000
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> from a Bank of North Dakota line of credit for a child welfare technology project		8,411,218	8,411,218
Provided <b>one-time funding</b> for guardianship programs for a partial year	3,266,177		3,266,177
Provided one-time funding for the Waterford Upstart program	1,500,000		1,500,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a family paid caregiver service pilot program (Senate Bill No. 2305)	7,300,000		7,300,000
Medical Services:			
Provided funding for developmental disabilities bed assessment adjustment		7,209,580	7,209,580
Expanded funding for additional provider groups to ensure populations are supported with person-centered care and support	1,000,000	1,000,000	2,000,000
Provided funding to increase private duty nursing and home health targeted rate increase	1,235,768	1,235,768	2,471,536
Provided funding for qualified provider targeted rate increase for nursing, personal care, respite, companionship, and homemaker services	3,595,104	1,797,552	5,392,656
Added funding to implement the children's cross disability waiver	2,474,226	2,474,226	4,948,452
Provided funding for 2 percent annual provider inflationary rate increases	13,689,672	15,190,970	28,880,642
Adjusted funding for the FMAP estimate change from 50 to 51.99 percent	(14,846,440)	8,392,440	(6,454,000)
Adjusted funding to reflect lower Medicaid caseload projections	(4,000,000)	(4,000,000)	(8,000,000)
Reduced funding to reflect lower 1915(i) caseload projections	(1,000,000)	(1,000,000)	(2,000,000)
Changed funding for the additional basic care \$5 daily rate from ongoing to one-time funding	(4,067,056)	(1,474,184)	(5,541,240)
Reduced funding to reflect lower long-term care grant utilization estimates	(31,850,000)	(33,150,000)	(65,000,000)
Provided funding to increase the monthly personal allowance for Medicaid residents in facilities (House Bill No. 1485) (federal funds)	762,894	689,466	1,452,360

Provided funding to increase adult residential facility rates (Senate Bill No. 2271) (federal funds)	1,709,302	1,709,302	3,418,604
Provided funding for medical assistance reimbursement of psychiatric residential treatment facilities for direct care costs (Senate Bill No. 2399) (federal funds)	647,149	660,025	1,307,174
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to retire the Medicaid legacy system currently on the mainframe (SIIF)		2,000,000	2,000,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a critical access hospital networking grant (community health trust fund)		2,000,000	2,000,000
Changed funding for the additional basic care \$5 daily rate from ongoing to <b>one-time funding</b> (health care trust fund)	2,619,004	2,922,236	5,541,240
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for costs associated with housing for individuals with extraordinary medical needs	200,000		200,000
Public Health:			
Added funding to expand support for domestic and sexual violence prevention (community health trust fund)		2,250,000	2,250,000
Provided additional funding for domestic and sexual violence (charitable gaming operating fund)		1,900,000	1,900,000
Increased funding for forensic pathology contract services with the University of North Dakota	2,433,078	(1,000,000)	1,433,078
Adjusted funding related to an increase in the food and lodging fees by an additional 7.5 percent for a total increase of 20 percent	(71,298)	71,298	0
Added funding to increase the grant to the Family Voices program to provide a total of \$160,000	100,000		100,000
Reduced federal CARES Act/COVID funding		(60,716,583)	(60,716,583)
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to purchase nonfatal toxicology testing equipment (health and consolidated lab fund)	151,500	100,000	251,500
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for transition to the new state laboratory building (SIIF)		2,962,304	2,962,304
Added <b>one-time funding</b> to purchase a forensic examiner electronic records system (community health trust fund)		278,000	278,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a food and lodging management information system (community health trust fund)		335,000	335,000
Added <b>one-time funding</b> from the public health laboratory fund for public health data modernization (health and consolidated lab fund)		2,213,930	2,213,930

Added <b>one-time funding</b> for a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder clinic grant		350,000	. <u></u>	350,000
Total	204.52	\$216,355,516	\$48,523,907	\$264,879,423

### **FTE Changes**

The Legislative Assembly approved 2,688.35 FTE positions for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for the 2025-27 biennium, an increase of 204.52 FTE positions from the 2023-25 biennium. The Legislative Assembly appropriated salaries and wages funding for DHHS in a block grant pool authorizing the department to increase or decrease authorized FTE positions subject to the availability of funds and the provisions of Section 4 of House Bill No. 1012. The block grant total for the 2025-27 biennium is \$611,513,737, including \$320,064,625 from the general fund.

#### Other Sections in House Bill No. 1012

**Transfers** - Section 3 authorizes DHHS transfer appropriation authority between line items in House Bill No. 1012.

FTE position block grant program - Section 4 authorizes DHHS to adjust FTE positions subject to the availability of funds.

Salaries and wages block grant report - Section 5 requires DHHS to report quarterly on the FTE position block grant program and vacant positions.

Behavioral health facility grant - Section 6 identifies \$12,960,000 from SIIF for a behavioral health facility in the northeast human service region.

**Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship** - Section 7 appropriates \$3,266,178 from the general fund for the Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship for costs after March 30, 2026.

**Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship** - Section 8 identifies \$3,266,177 for guardianship programs in the DHHS budget and transfers any unspent appropriation authority to the Office of Guardianship and Conservatorship on April 1, 2026.

**Infant and toddler care provider support direct payment** - Section 9 identifies \$11 million of one-time funding for the direct payments to licensed day care providers to support high-quality early childhood care for infants and toddlers effective January 1, 2026.

Intermediate care facility medically and behaviorally complex services grant - Section 10 identifies \$4.4 million in one-time funding from the community health trust fund to provide a one-time grant to a licensed intermediate care facility in the south central human service region for providing services to children or young adults with medically and behaviorally complex conditions.

**Special health care needs grant** - Section 11 identifies \$100,000 for providing a grant to a provider in the south central human service region for statewide education, information, training, and peer support to families with children with special health care needs, medically complex conditions, or a disability.

**Crisis services grants** - Section 12 identifies \$585,000 for providing crisis services grants including the sum of \$300,000 for crisis organizations that provide crisis services to young adults who are at risk of being homeless or experiencing other serious adverse life events and the sum of \$285,000 to a volunteer-based ecumenical ministry organization.

**Medical housing for individuals with extraordinary medical needs** - Section 13 identifies \$200,000 in one-time funding for the preliminary design consultation and project administration of developing housing for individuals with disabilities that have extraordinary medical needs and for rent subsidies for individuals residing in these housing facilities.

**Behavioral health facility grant** - Section 14 identifies \$1.5 million in one-time funding and Section 29 continues unexpended authority of up to \$1.95 million for a total of \$3.45 million for the purpose of providing a one-time behavioral health facility grant to establish a behavioral health facility in the northwest human service center region.

**Community cultural center grant** - Section 15 identifies \$300,000 in one-time funding from the community health trust fund for the purpose of providing a community cultural center programming grant in the west central human service region.

**Juvenile justice diversion services and programs** - Section 16 identifies \$750,000 of one-time funding from the human service finance fund for juvenile justice diversion services and programs.

Insurance tax distribution fund - Section 17 identifies \$1,125,000 from the insurance tax distribution fund for rural emergency medical services grants.

**Community health trust fund** - Section 18 identifies \$41,009,522 provided by the community health trust fund for the following programs:

	Community Health Trust Fund
	2025-27 Biennium
Loan repayment programs	\$594,500
Tobacco prevention and control grants to local public health units	6,250,000
Tobacco prevention and control	4,549,698
Tobacco cessation grants	500,000
Youth vaping prevention grants	300,000
Cancer and women's way programs	909,824
Behavior risk state survey	200,000
Intermediate care facility grant	4,400,000
Domestic violence programs	4,250,000
Local public health grants	3,275,000
988 crisis hotline	1,867,500
Various IT system upgrades	1,335,000
Grants to rural ambulances	7,000,000
Law enforcement rural crisis support program	1,000,000
Development of partial hospitalization/intensive day treatment	2,000,000
Critical access hospital networking	2,000,000
Forensic examiner electronic records	278,000
Cultural center programming	300,000
Total	\$41,009,522

**Human service finance fund** - Section 19 identifies \$242,862,030 provided from the human service finance fund for state-paid economic assistance and social and human services.

Opioid settlement fund - Section 20 identifies \$8 million from the opioid settlement fund for opioid remediation and abatement efforts.

Charitable gaming operating fund - Section 21 identifies \$1.9 million from the charitable gaming operating fund for domestic and sexual violence prevention.

**Health care trust fund** - Section 22 identifies \$1,448,052 from the health care trust fund for the additional daily rate increase for basic care.

**Strategic investment and improvements fund** - Section 23 identifies \$22,106,784 from SIIF for the following programs:

	SIIF
Retiring technology from the mainframe	\$2,500,000
New state laboratory move-in costs and security equipment purchases	2,962,304
Capital projects in certified community behavioral health clinics and the Life Skills and Transition Center	1,684,480
Housing incentive programs	1,000,000
Technology projects at the State Hospital	1,000,000
Behavioral health facility grant	12,960,000
Total	\$22,106,784

Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Section 24 provides a line of credit of up to \$8,411,218 for DHHS for costs associated with a child welfare technology project.

Laboratory building steering committee - Section 25 maintains the Laboratory Building Steering Committee include representation from DHHS, the Department of Environmental Quality, the Office of Management and Budget, the Governor's office, and the Legislative Assembly. Legislative Assembly members assigned to the committee must include one member of the Senate, appointed by the Senate Majority Leader; one member of the House, appointed by the House Majority Leader; and one member of the minority party from either the Senate or the House, appointed by the Minority Leaders of the Senate and House.

**Special assessments** - Section 26 authorizes DHHS to pay special assessments at the State Hospital, Southeast Human Service Center, and the Life Skills and Transition Center.

Capital projects and maintenance - Section 27 authorizes DHHS to spend up to \$10 million for capital projects and maintenance pertaining to operation of its facilities, including demolition projects, and may seek Emergency Commission and Budget Section approval to spend more than \$10 million under this section.

**Permanent supportive housing grants** - Section 28 identifies \$4,672,536 for permanent supportive housing grants.

**Medicaid Expansion** - Section 29 provides DHHS may not spend more for the Medicaid Expansion program than the amount appropriated in the bill with certain exceptions.

Human service centers - Section 30 provides DHHS continue the process of human service centers becoming certified community behavioral health clinics.

**Intermediate care facility moratorium** - Section 31 restricts DHHS from adding any new licensed intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities beds to the state's licensed bed capacity.

Carryover exemptions - Section 32 authorizes DHHS to continue unexpended appropriations for various purposes into the 2025-27 biennium.

**Utilization rate adjustments** - Section 33 provides legislative intent that DHHS seek a deficiency appropriation from the 70<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly if utilization rates exceed estimates used in the budget.

**Provider rate increase** - Section 34 provides for 2 percent annual inflationary increase for providers for 2025-27 biennium. This section does not apply to nursing facilities.

**Federal funding appeal limitation** - Section 35 precludes an individual from appealing a denial of service by DHHS due to the unavailability of federal coronavirus relief funding.

**Long-term structured residence plan report** - Section 36 provides for a study and report on options and a plan to establish long-term structured residences for individuals with severe and persistent mental illness.

**Extraordinary medical needs housing loan fund** - Section 37 creates a loan fund at the Bank of North Dakota for construction projects to provide housing for individuals with extraordinary medical needs.

Lease terms - Section 38 amends the maximum lease term for real or personal property at the Life Skills and Transition Center or the State Hospital to 99 years.

**Substance use disorder treatment voucher system** - Section 39 allows reimbursement to a licensed substance abuse treatment program with more than 16 beds for direct medical costs of an eligible individual. This becomes effective on July 1, 2026.

Basic care payment rates - Section 40 extends the increase of \$5 per day in the daily rate for basic care facilities for the 2025-27 biennium.

State of residence - Section 41 extends the child care assistance child care workforce benefit to individuals that work in North Dakota and reside outside of the state.

Opioid advisory committee - Section 42 amends the North Dakota Century Code provisions relating to the opioid advisory committee.

**Children's Cabinet** - Section 43 amends the Century Code provisions relating to the Children's Cabinet.

**Housing availability assessment** - Section 44 requires DHHS to collaborate with the North Dakota housing finance agency and other appropriate stakeholders to assess the availability of housing for individuals requiring extraordinary health care support services.

Facilities funding - Section 45 identifies the funding included in Section 1 for the behavioral health clinics, State Hospital, and the Life Skills and Transition Center.

Student truancy and absenteeism - Section 46 provides for a Legislative Management study of truancy and absenteeism in K-12 in public schools.

Maternal health services - Section 47 provides for a Legislative Management study on access to maternal health services.

**Life Skills and Transition Center** - Section 48 provides legislative intent that DHHS review the facilities and land at the Life Skills and Transition Center to identify which portions are necessary for delivery of services and the portions that could be conveyed to another entity.

**Disability service accreditation study** - Section 49 requires DHHS to study accreditation requirements and provider costs for serving individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, including the cost of accreditation.

**Value-based care incentive program** - Section 50 requires DHHS, in collaboration with the North Dakota long term care association, develop a payment withhold structure for value-based payments and that changes not be implemented before July 1, 2027.

**Disability services study** - Section 51 provides for Legislative Management study the efficiency, effectiveness, and outcomes of developmental disability services provided by DHHS.

**Disability services study funding** - Section 52 appropriates \$150,000 of one-time funding from the community health trust fund to the Legislative Council for the purpose of contracting for consulting services for a disability services study.

Statewide dementia coordination - Section 53 provides legislative intent that DHHS address the statewide coordination of dementia services.

Behavioral health facilities grant reporting - Section 54 requires DHHS to report to the Budget Section regarding the award of grant funding to increase the number of behavioral health beds in the state.

#### **Related Legislation**

**House Bill No. 1066 - Compensation rate** - This bill provides an increase in the compensation rate paid by DHHS under the senior community service employment program.

**House Bill No. 1067 - Medicaid waivers for children** - This bill changes the age from 18 to 21 to administer Medicaid waivers to provide in-home services to children with extraordinary medical needs and to children diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder and would otherwise meet an institutional level of care.

**House Bill No. 1070 - Gross income eligibility** - This bill changes the modified adjusted gross income eligibility limit for the children's health insurance program from 210 to 205 percent of the federal poverty level.

**House Bill No. 1425 - Prosecution-led diversion programs -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$750,000 from the SIIF to DHHS to provide treatment services for participants in the prosecution-led diversion program.

**House Bill No. 1460 - Respite care for adult foster care -** This bill increases the amount of respite care available to adult foster care providers and provides that legislative management shall consider studying the licensing of foster homes for adults.

**House Bill No. 1468 - Behavioral Health facility grant -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$16 million from SIIF to DHHS for a grant to a behavioral health facility in the West Central Human Service Center region to increase the number of behavioral health beds.

**House Bill No. 1485 - Personal allowance for Medicaid residents -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$762,894 from the general fund and \$689,466 from federal funds to increase the personal monthly allowance for Medicaid residents in basic care, nursing, intermediate care, or psychiatric residential treatment facilities.

**Senate Bill No. 2029 - Office of guardianship and conservatorship -** This bill creates the office of guardianship and conservatorship under the Supreme Court and provides an appropriation of \$1.2 million to the judicial branch to defray the expense of the office and authorizes 4 FTE positions.

**Senate Bill No. 2033 - Distressed ambulance service -** This bill provides a continuing appropriation from the distressed ambulance service program fund to DHHS for contracting with a consultant to identify, evaluate, and develop a plan to manage distressed ambulance services.

**Senate Bill No. 2036 - Fitness to proceed and remediation of juveniles -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$500,000 from the general fund to DHHS to implement and administer the juvenile fitness to proceed process.

**Senate Bill No. 2037 - Juvenile court proceedings** - This bill provides one-time funding of \$300,000 from the general fund to DHHS to contract for juvenile fitness to proceed evaluation services.

Senate Bill No. 2113 - State-operated behavioral health clinics - This bill updates language and renames the human service centers as state-operated behavioral health clinics.

**Senate Bill No. 2138 - Elderly care in rural areas -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$200,000 from the general fund to DHHS for grant funding to organizations that provide care to the elderly in rural areas.

Senate Bill No. 2200 - 988 crisis hotline program - This bill provides an appropriation of \$500,000 from the community health trust fund to DHHS to establish and implement a 988 crisis hotline program.

**Senate Bill No. 2271 - Adult residential facility payment rates -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$3,418,604 of which \$1,709,302 is from the general fund to increase adult residential facility rates.

Senate Bill No. 2305 - Family paid caregiver service pilot - This bill provides a one-time appropriation of \$7.3 million from the general fund to establish a family paid caregiver service pilot project.

**Senate Bill No. 2399 - Medical assistance reimbursement of psychiatric residential treatment facilities -** This bill provides an appropriation of \$647,149 from the general fund and \$660,025 from federal funds for DHHS for psychiatric residential treatment facility reimbursement. It amends the rules for medical assistance reimbursement of psychiatric residential treatment facilities for direct care costs.