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By House Committee on Health Care & Wellness (originally sponsored by Representatives Barlow, Hinkle, Appleton, Green, Ormsby, Schual-Berke, Cody, Blake, B. Sullivan, Hurst, O'Brien, Clibborn, Morrell, Conway, Kenney, Linville, Rolfes, Moeller and Dunn; by request of Governor Gregoire)

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1 AN ACT Relating to implementing the part D drug copayment program; 2 and amending RCW 74.09.520 and 74.09.010.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 Sec. 1. RCW 74.09.520 and 2004 c 141 s 2 are each amended to read 5 as follows:

(1) The term "medical assistance" may include the following care 6 7 and services: (a) Inpatient hospital services; (b) outpatient hospital services; (c) other laboratory and X-ray services; (d) nursing facility 8 services; (e) physicians' services, which shall include prescribed 9 10 medication and instruction on birth control devices; (f) medical care, or any other type of remedial care as may be established by the 11 12 secretary; (g) home health care services; (h) private duty nursing services; (i) dental services; (j) physical and occupational therapy 13 14 and related services; (k) prescribed drugs, dentures, and prosthetic devices; and eyeqlasses prescribed by a physician skilled in diseases 15 of the eye or by an optometrist, whichever the individual may select; 16 (1) personal care services, as provided in this section; (m) hospice 17 18 services; (n) other diagnostic, screening, preventive, and 19 rehabilitative services; and (o) like services when furnished to a

child by a school district in a manner consistent with the requirements of this chapter. For the purposes of this section, the department may not cut off any prescription medications, oxygen supplies, respiratory services, or other life-sustaining medical services or supplies.

5 "Medical assistance," notwithstanding any other provision of law, 6 shall not include routine foot care, or dental services delivered by 7 any health care provider, that are not mandated by Title XIX of the 8 social security act unless there is a specific appropriation for these 9 services.

10 (2) The department shall amend the state plan for medical 11 assistance under Title XIX of the federal social security act to 12 include personal care services, as defined in 42 C.F.R. 440.170(f), in 13 the categorically needy program.

14 shall adopt, such (3) The department amend, rescind or administrative rules as are necessary to ensure that Title XIX personal 15 care services are provided to eligible persons in conformance with 16 17 federal regulations.

(a) These administrative rules shall include financial eligibility
 indexed according to the requirements of the social security act
 providing for medicaid eligibility.

(b) The rules shall require clients be assessed as having a medical condition requiring assistance with personal care tasks. Plans of care for clients requiring health-related consultation for assessment and service planning may be reviewed by a nurse.

(c) The department shall determine by rule which clients have a health-related assessment or service planning need requiring registered nurse consultation or review. This definition may include clients that meet indicators or protocols for review, consultation, or visit.

(4) The department shall design and implement a means to assess the 29 level of functional disability of persons eligible for personal care 30 31 services under this section. The personal care services benefit shall 32 be provided to the extent funding is available according to the assessed level of functional disability. Any reductions in services 33 made necessary for funding reasons should be accomplished in a manner 34 that assures that priority for maintaining services is given to persons 35 with the greatest need as determined by the assessment of functional 36 37 disability.

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(5) Effective July 1, 1989, the department shall offer hospice
 services in accordance with available funds.

3 (6) For Title XIX personal care services administered by aging and
4 disability services administration of the department, the department
5 shall contract with area agencies on aging:

6 (a) To provide case management services to individuals receiving 7 Title XIX personal care services in their own home; and

8 (b) To reassess and reauthorize Title XIX personal care services or 9 other home and community services as defined in RCW 74.39A.009 in home 10 or in other settings for individuals consistent with the intent of this 11 section:

(i) Who have been initially authorized by the department to receive Title XIX personal care services or other home and community services as defined in RCW 74.39A.009; and

15 (ii) Who, at the time of reassessment and reauthorization, are 16 receiving such services in their own home.

17 (7) In the event that an area agency on aging is unwilling to enter 18 into or satisfactorily fulfill a contract or an individual consumer's 19 need for case management services will be met through an alternative 20 delivery system, the department is authorized to:

(a) Obtain the services through competitive bid; and

(b) Provide the services directly until a qualified contractor canbe found.

24 (8) Subject to available funds, effective July 1, 2007, the
 25 department may offer medicare part D prescription drug copayment
 26 coverage to full benefit dual eligible beneficiaries.

27 **Sec. 2.** RCW 74.09.010 and 1990 c 296 s 6 are each amended to read 28 as follows:

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As used in this chapter:

30 (1) "Children's health program" means the health care services 31 program provided to children under eighteen years of age and in 32 households with incomes at or below the federal poverty level as 33 annually defined by the federal department of health and human services 34 as adjusted for family size, and who are not otherwise eligible for 35 medical assistance or the limited casualty program for the medically 36 needy. (2) "Committee" means the children's health services committee
 created in section 3 of this act.

3 (3) "County" means the board of county commissioners, county 4 council, county executive, or tribal jurisdiction, or its designee. A 5 combination of two or more county authorities or tribal jurisdictions 6 may enter into joint agreements to fulfill the requirements of RCW 7 74.09.415 through 74.09.435.

8 (4) "Department" means the department of social and health9 services.

10 (5) "Department of health" means the Washington state department of 11 health created pursuant to RCW 43.70.020.

12 (6) "Internal management" means the administration of medical 13 assistance, medical care services, the children's health program, and 14 the limited casualty program.

15 (7) "Limited casualty program" means the medical care program 16 provided to medically needy persons as defined under Title XIX of the 17 federal social security act, and to medically indigent persons who are 18 without income or resources sufficient to secure necessary medical 19 services.

20 (8) "Medical assistance" means the federal aid medical care program 21 provided to categorically needy persons as defined under Title XIX of 22 the federal social security act.

(9) "Medical care services" means the limited scope of care financed by state funds and provided to general assistance recipients, and recipients of alcohol and drug addiction services provided under chapter 74.50 RCW.

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(10) "Nursing home" means nursing home as defined in RCW 18.51.010.

(11) "Poverty" means the federal poverty level determined annually by the United States department of health and human services, or successor agency.

31 32 (12) "Secretary" means the secretary of social and health services. (13) "Full benefit dual eligible beneficiary" means an individual

33 who, for any month: Has coverage for the month under a medicare 34 prescription drug plan or medicare advantage plan with part D coverage; 35 and is determined eligible by the state for full medicaid benefits for 36 the month under any eligibility category in the state's medicaid plan

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