

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2345

Page 6, line 10, replace "grants" with "direct benefit payments"

Page 6, line 13, after "2023" insert ". The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to this subsection, including the selection of the recipients, the disbursement amounts, or disbursements made"

Renumber accordingly

27. There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of providing ~~grants~~ direct benefit payments to developmental disabilities services providers to provide retention bonuses for direct services professionals serving clients with intellectual or developmental disabilities for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to this subsection, including the selection of the recipients, the disbursement amounts, or disbursements made.

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Page 6, line 18, replace "grants" with "direct benefit payments"

Page 6, line 19, replace "grants" with "direct benefit payments"

Page 6, line 20, replace "grants" with "direct benefit payments"

Page 6, line 20, after "facilities" insert ". The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to this subsection, including the selection of the recipients, the disbursement amounts, or disbursements made"

Page 9, after line 14, insert:

"SECTION 3. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES – ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS. The department of human services may use a portion of the grants to long-term care facilities for administrative expenses, which may not exceed three percent."

Renumber accordingly

28. There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$25,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of grantsdirect benefit payments to long-term care facilities for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. Of the funds appropriated in this subsection, \$20,800,000 is for grantsdirect benefit payments to nursing facilities, \$2,950,000 is for grantsdirect benefit payments to basic care facilities, and \$1,250,000 is for grantsdirect benefit payments to assisted living facilities. The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to this subsection, including the selection of the recipients, the disbursement amounts, or disbursements made.

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Page 6, line 23, after "projects" insert ", direct benefit payments"

Page 6, line 25, replace "expand" with "provide community-based"

Page 6, line 25, remove "western"

Page 6, line 28, after "2023" insert ". The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to direct benefit payments under this subsection, including the selection of the direct payment recipients, the direct payment disbursement amounts, or direct payment disbursements made"

Page 9, after line 14, insert:

"**SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Appeal – Federal coronavirus stimulus funds.

1. A person may not appeal a denial, revocation, or reduction in service or payment directly arising from an exhaustion of appropriated federal coronavirus stimulus funds as a result of the federal coronavirus pandemic emergency declaration received under federal law, including the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act [Pub. L. 116-136], Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 [Pub. L. 116-260], and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 [Pub. L. 117-2].
2. A person may not appeal the department's termination of a program or service established from the appropriated federal coronavirus stimulus funds as a result of the federal coronavirus pandemic emergency declaration received under federal law, including the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act [Pub. L. 116-136], Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 [Pub. L. 116-260], and American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 [Pub. L. 117-2].

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Subsection 3 of section 50-11.1-14.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

3. The department may provide supports and incentives to ~~build child care capacity~~, including:
 - a. Technical assistance and support to individuals who want to establish a new program or expand existing capacity to include information on needs assessments, regulatory

processes, facility design and furnishings, startup and operating budgets, staffing patterns, curriculum evaluation, and development of business plans.

- b. Grants to programs with a viable business plan to support early childhood facility development and expansion in areas with a demonstrated need.
- c. Direct benefit payments to beneficiaries.

Renumber accordingly

29. There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$29,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services the purpose of projects, direct benefit payments, grants, and services, including \$5,000,000 for Medicaid eligibility system upgrades, \$17,000,000 for child care services, \$4,000,000 to expand provide community-based behavioral health services in western North Dakota, and \$3,000,000 for substance use disorder treatment voucher system grants for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to direct benefit payments under this subsection, including the selection of the direct payment recipients, the direct payment disbursement amounts, or direct payment disbursements made.

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Page 6, line 31, remove "grants to"

Page 7, line 1, remove "organizations that provide"

Page 7, line 3, remove "awarded to organizations that do not provide or promote"

Page 7, line 4, replace "abortion services" with "used for the current and any future alternative-to-abortion services grant agreement. The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to the current alternative-to-abortion services grant agreement"

Renumber accordingly

30. There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of ~~grants to organizations that provide alternatives to abortion services~~ for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided in this subsection may only be ~~awarded to organizations that do not provide or promote abortion services~~ used for the current and any future alternative-to-abortion services grant agreement. The requirements of chapter 54-44.4 do not apply to the current alternative-to-abortion services grant agreement.