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1 AN ACT Relating to a hospital safety net assessment for increased
2 hospital payments to improve health care access for the citizens of
3 Washington; amending 2009 c 564 s 209 (uncodified); reenacting and
4 amending RCW 43.84.092; adding a new chapter to Title 74 RCW; providing
5 an expiration date; and declaring an emergency.

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

7 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 1.** PURPOSE, FINDINGS, AND INTENT. (1) The
8 purpose of this chapter is to provide for a safety net assessment on
9 certain Washington hospitals, which will be used solely to augment
10 funding from all other sources and thereby obtain additional funds to
11 restore recent reductions and to support additional payments to
12 hospitals for medicaid services.

13 (2) The legislature finds that:

14 (a) Washington hospitals, working with the department of social and
15 health services, have proposed a hospital safety net assessment to
16 generate additional state and federal funding for the medicaid program,
17 which will be used to partially restore recent inpatient and outpatient
18 reductions in hospital reimbursement rates and provide for an increase
19 in hospital payments; and

1 (b) The hospital safety net assessment and hospital safety net
2 assessment fund created in this chapter allows the state to generate
3 additional federal financial participation for the medicaid program and
4 provides for increased reimbursement to hospitals.

5 (3) In adopting this chapter, it is the intent of the legislature:

6 (a) To impose a hospital safety net assessment to be used solely
7 for the purposes specified in this chapter;

8 (b) That funds generated by the assessment shall be used solely to
9 augment all other funding sources and not as a substitute for any other
10 funds;

11 (c) That the total amount assessed not exceed the amount needed, in
12 combination with all other available funds, to support the
13 reimbursement rates and other payments authorized by this chapter; and

14 (d) To condition the assessment on receiving federal approval for
15 receipt of additional federal financial participation and on
16 continuation of other funding sufficient to maintain hospital inpatient
17 and outpatient reimbursement rates and small rural disproportionate
18 share payments at least at the levels in effect on June 30, 2009.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** DEFINITIONS. The definitions in this
20 section apply throughout this chapter unless the context clearly
21 requires otherwise.

22 (1) "Certified public expenditure hospital" means a hospital
23 participating in the department's certified public expenditure payment
24 program as described in WAC 388-550-4650 or successor rule.

25 (2) "Critical access hospital" means a hospital as described in RCW
26 74.09.5225.

27 (3) "Date of expiration of section 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5" means
28 December 31, 2010, or any subsequent date declared by congress to be
29 the termination date of the temporary increase in the federal medical
30 assistance percentage currently set forth in section 5001 of P.L. No.
31 111-5.

32 (4) "Department" means the department of social and health
33 services.

34 (5) "Fund" means the hospital safety net assessment fund
35 established under section 3 of this act.

36 (6) "Hospital" means a facility licensed under chapter 70.41 RCW.

1 (7) "Long-term acute care hospital" means a hospital which has an
2 average inpatient length of stay of greater than twenty-five days as
3 determined by the department of health.

4 (8) "Managed care organization" means an organization having a
5 certificate of authority or certificate of registration from the office
6 of the insurance commissioner that contracts with the department under
7 a comprehensive risk contract to provide prepaid health care services
8 to eligible clients under the department's medicaid managed care
9 programs, including the healthy options program.

10 (9) "Medicaid" means the medical assistance program as established
11 in Title XIX of the social security act and as administered in the
12 state of Washington by the department of social and health services.

13 (10) "Medicare cost report" means the medicare cost report, form
14 2552-96, or successor document.

15 (11) "Nonmedicare hospital inpatient day" means total hospital
16 inpatient days less medicare inpatient days, including medicare days
17 reported for medicare managed care plans, as reported on the medicare
18 cost report, form 2552-96, or successor forms, excluding all skilled
19 and nonskilled nursing facility days, skilled and nonskilled swing bed
20 days, nursery days, observation bed days, hospice days, home health
21 agency days, and other days not typically associated with an acute care
22 inpatient hospital stay.

23 (12) "Prospective payment system hospital" means a hospital
24 reimbursed for inpatient and outpatient services provided to medicaid
25 beneficiaries under the inpatient prospective payment system and the
26 outpatient prospective payment system as defined in WAC 388-550-1050.
27 For purposes of this chapter, prospective payment system hospital does
28 not include a hospital participating in the certified public
29 expenditure program or a bordering city hospital located outside of the
30 state of Washington and in one of the bordering cities listed in WAC
31 388-501-0175 or successor regulation.

32 (13) "Psychiatric hospital" means a hospital facility licensed as
33 a psychiatric hospital under chapter 71.12 RCW.

34 (14) "Regional support network" has the same meaning as provided in
35 RCW 71.24.025.

36 (15) "Rehabilitation hospital" means a medicare-certified
37 freestanding inpatient rehabilitation facility.

1 (16) "Secretary" means the secretary of the department of social
2 and health services.

3 (17) "Small rural disproportionate share hospital payment" means a
4 payment made in accordance with WAC 388-550-5200 or subsequently filed
5 regulation.

6 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 3.** HOSPITAL SAFETY NET ASSESSMENT FUND. (1) A
7 dedicated fund is hereby established within the state treasury to be
8 known as the hospital safety net assessment fund. The purpose and use
9 of the fund shall be to receive and disburse funds, together with
10 accrued interest, in accordance with this chapter. Moneys in the fund,
11 including interest earned, shall not be used or disbursed for any
12 purposes other than those specified in this chapter. Any amounts
13 expended from the fund that are later recouped by the department on
14 audit or otherwise shall be returned to the fund.

15 (a) Any unexpended balance in the fund at the end of a fiscal
16 biennium shall carry over into the following biennium and shall be
17 applied to reduce the amount of the assessment under section 6(1)(c) of
18 this act.

19 (b) Any amounts remaining in the fund on July 1, 2013, shall be
20 used to make increased payments in accordance with sections 10 and 13
21 of this act for any outstanding claims with dates of service prior to
22 July 1, 2013. Any amounts remaining in the fund after such increased
23 payments are made shall be refunded to hospitals, pro rata according to
24 the amount paid by the hospital, subject to the limitations of federal
25 law.

26 (2) All assessments, interest, and penalties collected by the
27 department under sections 4 and 6 of this act shall be deposited into
28 the fund.

29 (3) Disbursements from the fund may be made only as follows:

30 (a) Subject to appropriations and the continued availability of
31 other funds in an amount sufficient to maintain the level of medicaid
32 hospital rates in effect on July 1, 2009;

33 (b) Upon certification by the secretary that the conditions set
34 forth in section 17(1) of this act have been met with respect to the
35 assessments imposed under section 4 (1) and (2) of this act, the
36 payments provided under section 9 of this act, payments provided under

1 section 13(2) of this act, and any initial payments under sections 11
2 and 12 of this act, funds shall be disbursed in the amount necessary to
3 make the payments specified in those sections;

4 (c) Upon certification by the secretary that the conditions set
5 forth in section 17(1) of this act have been met with respect to the
6 assessments imposed under section 4(3) of this act and the payments
7 provided under sections 10 and 14 of this act, payments made subsequent
8 to the initial payments under sections 11 and 12 of this act, and
9 payments under section 13(3) of this act, funds shall be disbursed
10 periodically as necessary to make the payments as specified in those
11 sections;

12 (d) To refund erroneous or excessive payments made by hospitals
13 pursuant to this chapter;

14 (e) The sum of thirty-two million dollars per biennium may be
15 disbursed for the purpose of ensuring that no reductions in hospital
16 payment rates take place from the effective date of this act until July
17 1, 2013;

18 (f) The sum of one million dollars per biennium may be disbursed
19 for payment of administrative expenses incurred by the department in
20 performing the activities authorized by this chapter;

21 (g) To repay the federal government for any excess payments made to
22 hospitals from the fund if the assessments or payment increases set
23 forth in this chapter are deemed out of compliance with federal
24 statutes and regulations and all appeals have been exhausted. In such
25 a case, the department may require hospitals receiving excess payments
26 to refund the payments in question to the fund. The state in turn
27 shall return funds to the federal government in the same proportion as
28 the original financing. If a hospital is unable to refund payments,
29 the state shall develop a payment plan and/or deduct moneys from future
30 medicaid payments.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 4. ASSESSMENTS.** (1) An assessment is imposed
32 as set forth in this subsection effective after the date when the
33 applicable conditions under section 17(1) of this act have been
34 satisfied through June 30, 2013, for the purpose of funding restoration
35 of reimbursement rates under sections 9(1) and 13(2)(a) of this act and
36 funding payments made subsequent to the initial payments under sections
37 11 and 12 of this act. Payments under this subsection are due and

1 payable on the first day of each calendar quarter after the department
2 sends notice of assessment to affected hospitals. However, the initial
3 assessment is not due and payable less than thirty calendar days after
4 notice of the amount due has been provided to affected hospitals.

5 (a) For the period beginning the date the applicable conditions
6 under section 17(1) are met through the day prior to the date of
7 expiration of section 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5:

8 (i) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
9 assessment of thirty-two dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
10 inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in the assessment
11 period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

12 (ii) Each critical access hospital shall pay an assessment of ten
13 dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient day, multiplied
14 by the number of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred
15 sixty-five.

16 (b) For the period beginning on the date of expiration of section
17 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5 through June 30, 2011:

18 (i) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
19 assessment of forty dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
20 inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in the assessment
21 period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

22 (ii) Each critical access hospital shall pay an assessment of ten
23 dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient day, multiplied
24 by the number of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred
25 sixty-five.

26 (c) For the period beginning July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2013:

27 (i) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
28 assessment of forty-four dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
29 inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in the assessment
30 period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

31 (ii) Each critical access hospital shall pay an assessment of ten
32 dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient day, multiplied
33 by the number of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred
34 sixty-five.

35 (d)(i) For purposes of (a) and (b) of this subsection, the
36 department shall determine each hospital's annual nonmedicare hospital
37 inpatient days by summing the total reported nonmedicare inpatient days
38 for each hospital that is not exempt from the assessment as described

1 in section 5 of this act for the relevant state fiscal year 2008
2 portions included in the hospital's fiscal year end reports 2007 and/or
3 2008 cost reports. The department shall use nonmedicare hospital
4 inpatient day data for each hospital taken from the centers for
5 medicare and medicaid services' hospital 2552-96 cost report data file
6 as of November 30, 2009, or equivalent data collected by the
7 department.

8 (ii) For purposes of (c) of this subsection, the department shall
9 determine each hospital's annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient days by
10 summing the total reported nonmedicare hospital inpatient days for each
11 hospital that is not exempt from the assessment under section 5 of this
12 act, taken from the most recent publicly available hospital 2552-96
13 cost report data file or successor data file available through the
14 centers for medicare and medicaid services, as of a date to be
15 determined by the department. If cost report data are unavailable from
16 the foregoing source for any hospital subject to the assessment, the
17 department shall collect such information directly from the hospital.

18 (2) An assessment is imposed in the amounts set forth in this
19 section for the purpose of funding the restoration of the rates under
20 sections 9(2) and 13(2)(b) of this act and funding the initial payments
21 under sections 11 and 12 of this act, which shall be due and payable
22 within thirty calendar days after the department has transmitted a
23 notice of assessment to hospitals. Such notice shall be transmitted
24 immediately upon determination by the secretary that the applicable
25 conditions established by section 17(1) of this act have been met.

26 (a) Prospective payment system hospitals.

27 (i) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
28 assessment of thirty dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
29 inpatient day up to sixty thousand per year, multiplied by a ratio, the
30 numerator of which is the number of days between June 30, 2009, and the
31 day after the applicable conditions established by section 17(1) of
32 this act have been met and the denominator of which is three hundred
33 sixty-five.

34 (ii) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
35 assessment of one dollar for each annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient
36 day over and above sixty thousand per year, multiplied by a ratio, the
37 numerator of which is the number of days between June 30, 2009, and the

1 day after the applicable conditions established by section 17(1) of
2 this act have been met and the denominator of which is three hundred
3 sixty-five.

4 (b) Each critical access hospital shall pay an assessment of ten
5 dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient day, multiplied
6 by a ratio, the numerator of which is the number of days between June
7 30, 2009, and the day after the applicable conditions established by
8 section 17(1) of this act have been met and the denominator of which is
9 three hundred sixty-five.

10 (c) For purposes of this subsection, the department shall determine
11 each hospital's annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient days by summing
12 the total reported nonmedicare inpatient days for each hospital that is
13 not exempt from the assessment as described in section 5 of this act
14 for the relevant state fiscal year 2008 portions included in the
15 hospital's fiscal year end reports 2007 and/or 2008 cost reports. The
16 department shall use nonmedicare hospital inpatient day data for each
17 hospital taken from the centers for medicare and medicaid services'
18 hospital 2552-96 cost report data file as of November 30, 2009, or
19 equivalent data collected by the department.

20 (3) An assessment is imposed as set forth in this subsection for
21 the period February 1, 2010, through June 30, 2013, for the purpose of
22 funding increased hospital payments under sections 10 and 13(3) of this
23 act, which shall be due and payable on the first day of each calendar
24 quarter after the department has sent notice of the assessment to each
25 affected hospital, provided that the initial assessment shall be
26 transmitted only after the secretary has determined that the applicable
27 conditions established by section 17(1) of this act have been satisfied
28 and shall be payable no less than thirty calendar days after the
29 department sends notice of the amount due to affected hospitals. The
30 initial assessment shall include the full amount due from February 1,
31 2010, through the date of the notice.

32 (a) For the period February 1, 2010, through the day prior to the
33 date of expiration of section 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5:

34 (i) Prospective payment system hospitals.

35 (A) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
36 assessment of one hundred dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
37 inpatient day up to sixty thousand per year, multiplied by the number
38 of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

1 (B) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
2 assessment of five dollars for each annual nonmedicare hospital
3 inpatient day over and above sixty thousand per year, multiplied by the
4 number of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-
5 five.

6 (ii) Each psychiatric hospital and each rehabilitation hospital
7 shall pay an assessment of twenty-four dollars for each annual
8 nonmedicare hospital inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in
9 the assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

10 (b) For the period beginning on the date of expiration of section
11 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5 through June 30, 2011:

12 (i) Prospective payment system hospitals.

13 (A) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
14 assessment of one hundred twenty-seven dollars for each annual
15 nonmedicare inpatient day up to sixty thousand per year, multiplied by
16 the number of days in the assessment period divided by three hundred
17 sixty-five.

18 (B) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
19 assessment of seven dollars for each annual nonmedicare inpatient day
20 over and above sixty thousand per year, multiplied by the number of
21 days in the assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-five. The
22 department may adjust the assessment or the number of nonmedicare
23 hospital inpatient days used to calculate the assessment amount if
24 necessary to maintain compliance with federal statutes and regulations
25 related to medicaid program health care-related taxes.

26 (ii) Each psychiatric hospital and each rehabilitation hospital
27 shall pay an assessment of thirty dollars for each annual nonmedicare
28 hospital inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in the
29 assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

30 (c) For the period beginning July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2013:

31 (i) Prospective payment system hospitals.

32 (A) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
33 assessment of one hundred thirty-three dollars for each annual
34 nonmedicare hospital inpatient day up to sixty thousand per year,
35 multiplied by the number of days in the assessment period divided by
36 three hundred sixty-five.

37 (B) Each prospective payment system hospital shall pay an
38 assessment of seven dollars for each annual nonmedicare inpatient day

1 over and above sixty thousand per year, multiplied by the number of
2 days in the assessment period divided by three hundred sixty-five. The
3 department may adjust the assessment or the number of nonmedicare
4 hospital inpatient days if necessary to maintain compliance with
5 federal statutes and regulations related to medicaid program health
6 care-related taxes.

7 (ii) Each psychiatric hospital and each rehabilitation hospital
8 shall pay an assessment of thirty dollars for each annual nonmedicare
9 inpatient day, multiplied by the number of days in the assessment
10 period divided by three hundred sixty-five.

11 (d)(i) For purposes of (a) and (b) of this subsection, the
12 department shall determine each hospital's annual nonmedicare hospital
13 inpatient days by summing the total reported nonmedicare inpatient days
14 for each hospital that is not exempt from the assessment as described
15 in section 5 of this act for the relevant state fiscal year 2008
16 portions included in the hospital's fiscal year end reports 2007 and/or
17 2008 cost reports. The department shall use nonmedicare hospital
18 inpatient day data for each hospital taken from the centers for
19 medicare and medicaid services' hospital 2552-96 cost report data file
20 as of November 30, 2009, or equivalent data collected by the
21 department.

22 (ii) For purposes of (c) of this subsection, the department shall
23 determine each hospital's annual nonmedicare hospital inpatient days by
24 summing the total reported nonmedicare hospital inpatient days for each
25 hospital that is not exempt from the assessment under section 5 of this
26 act, taken from the most recent publicly available hospital 2552-96
27 cost report data file or successor data file available through the
28 centers for medicare and medicaid services, as of a date to be
29 determined by the department. If cost report data are unavailable from
30 the foregoing source for any hospital subject to the assessment, the
31 department shall collect such information directly from the hospital.

32 (4) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 8 of this act,
33 nothing in this act is intended to prohibit a hospital from including
34 assessment amounts paid in accordance with this section on their
35 medicare and medicaid cost reports.

36 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 5. EXEMPTIONS.** The following hospitals are
37 exempt from any assessment under this chapter provided that if and to

1 the extent any exemption is held invalid by a court of competent
2 jurisdiction or by the centers for medicare and medicaid services,
3 hospitals previously exempted shall be liable for assessments due after
4 the date of final invalidation:

5 (1) Hospitals owned or operated by an agency of federal or state
6 government, including but not limited to western state hospital and
7 eastern state hospital;

8 (2) Washington public hospitals that participate in the certified
9 public expenditure program;

10 (3) Hospitals that do not charge directly or indirectly for
11 hospital services; and

12 (4) Long-term acute care hospitals.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 6.** ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION. (1) The
14 department, in cooperation with the office of financial management,
15 shall develop rules for determining the amount to be assessed to
16 individual hospitals, notifying individual hospitals of the assessed
17 amount, and collecting the amounts due. Such rule making shall
18 specifically include provision for:

19 (a) Transmittal of quarterly notices of assessment by the
20 department to each hospital informing the hospital of its nonmedicare
21 hospital inpatient days and the assessment amount due and payable.
22 Such quarterly notices shall be sent to each hospital at least thirty
23 calendar days prior to the due date for the quarterly assessment
24 payment.

25 (b) Interest on delinquent assessments at the rate specified in RCW
26 82.32.050.

27 (c) Adjustment of the assessment amounts as follows:

28 (i) For each fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, the assessment
29 amounts under section 4 (1) and (3) of this act may be adjusted as
30 follows:

31 (A) If sufficient other funds for hospitals, including any increase
32 in federal financial participation for hospital payments in addition to
33 what is provided under section 5001 of P.L. No. 111-5, are available to
34 support the reimbursement rates and other payments under section 9, 10,
35 11, 12, or 13 of this act without utilizing the full assessment
36 authorized under section 4 (1) or (3) of this act, the department shall
37 reduce the amount of the assessment for prospective payment system,

1 psychiatric, and rehabilitation hospitals proportionately to the
2 minimum level necessary to support those reimbursement rates and other
3 payments.

4 (B) Provided that none of the conditions set forth in section 17(2)
5 of this act have occurred, if the department's forecasts indicate that
6 the assessment amounts under section 4 (1) and (3) of this act,
7 together with all other available funds, are not sufficient to support
8 the reimbursement rates and other payments under section 9, 10, 11, 12,
9 or 13 of this act, the department shall increase the assessment rates
10 for prospective payment system, psychiatric, and rehabilitation
11 hospitals proportionately to the amount necessary to support those
12 reimbursement rates and other payments, plus a contingency factor up to
13 ten percent of the total assessment amount.

14 (C) Any positive balance remaining in the fund at the end of the
15 fiscal year shall be applied to reduce the assessment amount for the
16 subsequent fiscal year.

17 (ii) Any adjustment to the assessment amounts pursuant to this
18 subsection, and the data supporting such adjustment, including but not
19 limited to relevant data listed in subsection (2) of this section, must
20 be submitted to the Washington state hospital association for review
21 and comment at least sixty calendar days prior to implementation of
22 such adjusted assessment amounts. Any review and comment provided by
23 the Washington state hospital association shall not limit the ability
24 of the Washington state hospital association or its members to
25 challenge an adjustment or other action by the department that is not
26 made in accordance with this chapter.

27 (2) By November 30th of each year, the department shall provide the
28 following data to the Washington state hospital association:

- 29 (a) The fund balance;
- 30 (b) The amount of assessment paid by each hospital;
- 31 (c) The annual medicaid fee-for-service payments for inpatient
32 hospital services and outpatient hospital services; and

33 (d) The medicaid healthy options inpatient and outpatient payments
34 as reported by all hospitals to the department on disproportionate
35 share hospital applications. The department shall amend the
36 disproportionate share hospital application and reporting instructions
37 as needed to ensure that the foregoing data is reported by all
38 hospitals as needed in order to comply with this subsection (2)(d).

1 (3) The department shall determine the number of nonmedicare
2 hospital inpatient days for each hospital for each assessment period.

3 (4) To the extent necessary, the department shall amend the
4 contracts between the managed care organizations and the department and
5 between regional support networks and the department to incorporate the
6 provisions of section 13 of this act. The department shall pursue
7 amendments to the contracts as soon as possible after the effective
8 date of this act. The amendments to the contracts shall, among other
9 provisions, provide for increased payment rates to managed care
10 organizations in accordance with section 13 of this act.

11 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 7.** LOCAL ASSESSMENTS OR TAXES NOT AUTHORIZED.
12 Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to authorize any unit of
13 local government to impose a tax or assessment on hospitals, including
14 but not limited to a tax or assessment measured by a hospital's income,
15 earnings, bed days, or other similar measures.

16 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 8.** ASSESSMENT PART OF OPERATING OVERHEAD. The
17 incidence and burden of assessments imposed under this chapter shall be
18 on hospitals and the expense associated with the assessments shall
19 constitute a part of the operating overhead of hospitals. Hospitals
20 shall not increase charges as a result of the assessments or otherwise
21 pass on to patients or other payors the assessments provided for under
22 this chapter.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 9.** RESTORATION OF JUNE 30, 2009, REIMBURSEMENT
24 RATES. Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in
25 section 17(1) of this act, the department shall:

26 (1) Reinstitute the medicaid inpatient rates and outpatient fee
27 schedule for hospital reimbursement rates in effect on June 30, 2009;
28 and

29 (2) Recalculate the amount payable to each hospital that submitted
30 an otherwise allowable claim for inpatient and outpatient
31 medicaid-covered services rendered from and after July 1, 2009, up to
32 and including the date when the applicable conditions under section
33 17(1) of this act have been satisfied, based on the inpatient and
34 outpatient fee-for-service rates in effect on June 30, 2009, and,

1 within sixty calendar days after the date upon which the applicable
2 conditions set forth in section 17(1) of this act have been satisfied,
3 remit the difference to each hospital.

4 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 10.** INCREASED HOSPITAL PAYMENTS. (1) Upon
5 satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in section 17(1) of
6 this act and for services rendered on or after February 1, 2010, the
7 department shall increase the medicaid inpatient and outpatient
8 fee-for-service hospital reimbursement rates in effect on June 30,
9 2009, by the percentages specified below:

10 (a) Prospective payment system hospitals:

11 (i) Inpatient psychiatric services: Twelve percent;

12 (ii) Inpatient services: Twelve percent;

13 (iii) Outpatient services: Thirty-two percent.

14 (b) Harborview medical center and University of Washington medical
15 center:

16 (i) Inpatient psychiatric services: Three percent;

17 (ii) Inpatient services: Three percent;

18 (iii) Outpatient services: Twenty-one percent.

19 (c) Rehabilitation hospitals:

20 (i) Inpatient services: Twelve percent;

21 (ii) Outpatient services: Thirty-two percent;

22 (d) Psychiatric hospitals:

23 (i) Inpatient psychiatric services: Twelve percent;

24 (ii) Inpatient services: Twelve percent.

25 (2) For claims processed for services rendered on or after February
26 1, 2010, but prior to satisfaction of the applicable conditions
27 specified in section 17(1) of this act, the department shall, within
28 sixty calendar days after satisfaction of those conditions, calculate
29 the amount payable to hospitals in accordance with this section and
30 remit the difference to each hospital that has submitted an otherwise
31 allowable claim for payment for such services.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 11.** CRITICAL ACCESS HOSPITAL PAYMENTS. Upon
33 satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in section 17(1) of
34 this act, the department shall pay critical access hospitals that do
35 not qualify for or receive a small rural disproportionate share payment
36 in the subject state fiscal year an access payment of fifty dollars for

1 each medicaid inpatient day, exclusive of days on which a swing bed is
2 used for subacute care, from and after July 1, 2009. Initial payments
3 to hospitals, covering the period from July 1, 2009, to the date when
4 the applicable conditions under section 17(1) of this act are
5 satisfied, shall be made within sixty calendar days after such
6 conditions are satisfied. Subsequent payments shall be made to
7 critical access hospitals on an annual basis at the time that
8 disproportionate share eligibility and payment for the state fiscal
9 year are established. These payments shall be in addition to any other
10 amount payable with respect to services provided by critical access
11 hospitals and shall not reduce any other payments to critical access
12 hospitals.

13 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 12.** DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE HOSPITAL PAYMENTS.
14 Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in section
15 17(1) of this act, small rural disproportionate share payments shall be
16 increased to one hundred twenty percent of the level in effect as of
17 June 30, 2009, for the period from and after July 1, 2009, until July
18 1, 2013. Initial payments, covering the period from July 1, 2009, to
19 the date when the applicable conditions under section 17(1) of this act
20 are satisfied, shall be made within sixty calendar days after those
21 conditions are satisfied. Subsequent payments shall be made directly
22 to hospitals by the department on a periodic basis.

23 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 13.** INCREASED MANAGED CARE PAYMENTS AND
24 CORRESPONDING PAYMENTS TO HOSPITALS. Subject to the applicable
25 conditions set forth in section 17(1) of this act, the department
26 shall:

27 (1) Amend medicaid-managed care and regional support network
28 contracts as necessary in order to ensure compliance with this chapter;

29 (2) With respect to the inpatient and outpatient rates established
30 by section 9 of this act:

31 (a) Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions under section
32 17(1) of this act, increase payments to managed care organizations and
33 regional support networks as necessary to ensure that hospitals are
34 reimbursed in accordance with section 9(1) of this act for services
35 rendered from and after the date when applicable conditions under
36 section 17(1) of this act have been satisfied, and pay an additional

1 amount equal to the estimated amount of additional state taxes on
2 managed care organizations or regional support networks due as a result
3 of the payments under this section, and require managed care
4 organizations and regional support networks to make payments to each
5 hospital in accordance with section 9 of this act. The increased
6 payments made to hospitals pursuant to this subsection shall be in
7 addition to any other amounts payable to hospitals by managed care
8 organizations or regional support networks and shall not affect any
9 other payments to hospitals;

10 (b) Within sixty calendar days after satisfaction of the applicable
11 conditions under section 17(1) of this act, calculate the additional
12 amount due to each hospital to pay claims submitted for inpatient and
13 outpatient medicaid-covered services rendered from and after July 1,
14 2009, through the date when the applicable conditions under section
15 17(1) of this act have been satisfied, based on the rates required by
16 section 9(2) of this act, make payments to managed care organizations
17 and regional support networks in amounts sufficient to pay the
18 additional amounts due to each hospital plus an additional amount equal
19 to the estimated amount of additional state taxes on managed care
20 organizations or regional support networks due as a result of the
21 payments under this subsection, and require managed care organizations
22 and regional support networks to make payments to each hospital in
23 accordance with the department's calculations within forty-five
24 calendar days after the department disburses funds for those purposes.

25 (3) With respect to the inpatient and outpatient hospital rates
26 established by section 10 of this act:

27 (a) Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions under section
28 17(1) of this act, increase payments to managed care organizations and
29 regional support networks as necessary to ensure that hospitals are
30 reimbursed in accordance with section 10 of this act, and pay an
31 additional amount equal to the estimated amount of additional state
32 taxes on managed care organizations or regional support networks due as
33 a result of the payments under this section;

34 (b) Require managed care organizations and regional support
35 networks to reimburse hospitals for hospital inpatient and outpatient
36 services rendered after the date that the applicable conditions under
37 section 17(1) of this act are satisfied at rates no lower than those
38 established by section 10 of this act;

1 (c) Within sixty calendar days after satisfaction of the applicable
2 conditions under section 17(1) of this act, calculate the additional
3 amount due to each hospital to pay claims submitted for inpatient and
4 outpatient medicaid-covered services rendered from and after February
5 1, 2010, through the date when the applicable conditions under section
6 17(1) of this act are satisfied based on the rates required by section
7 10 of this act, make payments to managed care organizations and
8 regional support networks in amounts sufficient to pay the additional
9 amounts due to each hospital plus an additional amount equal to the
10 estimated amount of additional state taxes on managed care
11 organizations or regional support networks, and require managed care
12 organizations and regional support networks to make payments to each
13 hospital in accordance with the department's calculations within forty-
14 five calendar days after the department disburses funds for those
15 purposes;

16 (d) Require managed care organizations that contract with health
17 care organizations that provide, directly or by contract, health care
18 services on a prepaid or capitated basis to make payments to health
19 care organizations for any of the hospital payments that the managed
20 care organizations would have been required to pay to hospitals under
21 this section if the managed care organizations did not contract with
22 those health care organizations, and require the managed care
23 organizations to require those health care organizations to make
24 equivalent payments to the hospitals that would have received payments
25 under this section if the managed care organizations did not contract
26 with the health care organizations;

27 (4) The department shall ensure that the increases to the medicaid
28 fee schedules as described in section 10 of this act are included in
29 the development of healthy options premiums.

30 (5) The department may require managed care organizations and
31 regional support networks to demonstrate compliance with this section.

32 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 14.** QUALITY INCENTIVE PAYMENTS. (1) The
33 department, in collaboration with the health care authority, the
34 department of health, the department of labor and industries, the
35 Washington state hospital association, the Puget Sound health alliance,
36 and the forum, a collaboration of health carriers, physicians, and
37 hospitals in Washington state, shall design a system of hospital

1 quality incentive payments. The design of the system shall be
2 submitted to the relevant policy and fiscal committees of the
3 legislature by December 15, 2010. The system shall be based upon the
4 following principles:

5 (a) Evidence-based treatment and processes shall be used to improve
6 health care outcomes for hospital patients;

7 (b) Effective purchasing strategies to improve the quality of
8 health care services should involve the use of common quality
9 improvement measures by public and private health care purchasers,
10 while recognizing that some measures may not be appropriate for
11 application to specialty pediatric, psychiatric, or rehabilitation
12 hospitals;

13 (c) Quality measures chosen for the system should be consistent
14 with the standards that have been developed by national quality
15 improvement organizations, such as the national quality forum, the
16 federal centers for medicare and medicaid services, or the federal
17 agency for healthcare research and quality. New reporting burdens to
18 hospitals should be minimized by giving priority to measures hospitals
19 are currently required to report to governmental agencies, such as the
20 hospital compare measures collected by the federal centers for medicare
21 and medicaid services;

22 (d) Benchmarks for each quality improvement measure should be set
23 at levels that are feasible for hospitals to achieve, yet represent
24 real improvements in quality and performance for a majority of
25 hospitals in Washington state; and

26 (e) Hospital performance and incentive payments should be designed
27 in a manner such that all noncritical access hospitals in Washington
28 are able to receive the incentive payments if performance is at or
29 above the benchmark score set in the system established under this
30 section.

31 (2) Upon satisfaction of the applicable conditions set forth in
32 section 17(1) of this act, and for state fiscal year 2013 and each
33 fiscal year thereafter, assessments may be increased to support an
34 additional one percent increase in hospital payments for noncritical
35 access hospitals that meet the quality incentive benchmarks established
36 under this section.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 15.** INCREASED REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR INPATIENT
2 SERVICES UNDER THE INVOLUNTARY TREATMENT ACT. (1) Upon satisfaction of
3 the applicable conditions set forth in section 17(1) of this act, and
4 for state fiscal year 2011 and each fiscal year thereafter, the
5 department shall increase the assessment rates for hospitals other than
6 those designated in subsection (2) of this section to the amount
7 necessary to support an increase in medicaid inpatient fee-for-service
8 hospital reimbursement rates for inpatient psychiatric services
9 provided to individuals who have been admitted for involuntary
10 treatment under chapter 71.05 RCW to a unit or bed certified by the
11 department for involuntary admissions. The increased reimbursement
12 rate shall not result in a hospital exceeding its federal medicaid
13 upper payment limit, but should be set at a level sufficient to promote
14 additional inpatient involuntary treatment capacity in the state.

15 (2) Increased reimbursement rates under subsection (1) of this
16 section shall not be paid to certified public expenditure hospitals or
17 hospitals owned or operated by an agency of federal or state
18 government.

19 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 16.** MULTIHOSPITAL LOCATIONS, NEW HOSPITALS, AND
20 CHANGES IN OWNERSHIP. (1) If an entity owns or operates more than one
21 hospital subject to assessment under this chapter, the entity shall pay
22 the assessment for each hospital separately. However, if the entity
23 operates multiple hospitals under a single medicaid provider number, it
24 may pay the assessment for the hospitals in the aggregate.

25 (2) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a
26 hospital subject to the assessment imposed under this chapter ceases to
27 conduct hospital operations throughout a state fiscal year, the
28 assessment for the quarter in which the cessation occurs shall be
29 adjusted by multiplying the assessment computed under section 4 (1) and
30 (3) of this act by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of
31 days during the year which the hospital conducts, operates, or
32 maintains the hospital and the denominator of which is three hundred
33 sixty-five. Immediately prior to ceasing to conduct, operate, or
34 maintain a hospital, the hospital shall pay the adjusted assessment for
35 the fiscal year to the extent not previously paid.

36 (3) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, in the
37 case of a hospital that commences conducting, operating, or maintaining

1 a hospital that is not exempt from payment of the assessment under
2 section 5 of this act and that did not conduct, operate, or maintain
3 such hospital throughout the cost reporting year used to determine the
4 assessment amount, the assessment for that hospital shall be computed
5 on the basis of the actual number of nonmedicare inpatient days
6 reported to the department by the hospital on a quarterly basis. The
7 hospital shall be eligible to receive increased payments under this
8 chapter beginning on the date it commences hospital operations.

9 (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, if a
10 hospital previously subject to assessment is sold or transferred to
11 another entity and remains subject to assessment, the assessment for
12 that hospital shall be computed based upon the cost report data
13 previously submitted by that hospital. The assessment shall be
14 allocated between the transferor and transferee based on the number of
15 days within the assessment period that each owned, operated, or
16 maintained the hospital.

17 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 17.** CONDITIONS. (1) The assessment,
18 collection, and disbursement of funds under this chapter shall be
19 conditional upon:

20 (a) Withdrawal of those aspects of any pending state plan
21 amendments previously submitted to the centers for medicare and
22 medicaid services that are inconsistent with this chapter, specifically
23 any pending state plan amendment related to the four percent rate
24 reductions for inpatient and outpatient hospital rates and elimination
25 of the small rural disproportionate share hospital payment program as
26 implemented July 1, 2009;

27 (b) Approval by the centers for medicare and medicaid services of
28 any state plan amendments or waiver requests that are necessary in
29 order to implement the applicable sections of this chapter;

30 (c) To the extent necessary, amendment of contracts between the
31 department and managed care organizations in order to implement this
32 chapter; and

33 (d) Certification by the office of financial management that
34 appropriations have been adopted that fully support the rates
35 established in this chapter for the upcoming fiscal year.

36 (2) This chapter does not take effect or cease to be imposed, and

1 any moneys remaining in the fund shall be refunded to hospitals in
2 proportion to the amounts paid by such hospitals, if and to the extent
3 that:

4 (a) An appellate court or the centers for medicare and medicaid
5 services makes a final determination that any element of this chapter,
6 other than section 11 of this act, cannot be validly implemented;

7 (b) Medicaid inpatient or outpatient payment rates for hospitals
8 are reduced below the aggregate reimbursement rates set forth in this
9 chapter;

10 (c) Except for payments to the University of Washington medical
11 center and harborview medical center payments to hospitals required
12 under sections 9, 10, 12, and 13 of this act are not eligible for
13 federal matching funds;

14 (d) If other funding available for the medicaid program is not
15 sufficient to maintain medicaid inpatient and outpatient reimbursement
16 rates for hospitals and small rural disproportionate share payments at
17 one hundred percent of the levels in effect on July 1, 2009; or

18 (e) If the fund is used as a substitute for or to supplant other
19 funds, except as authorized by section 3(3)(e) of this act.

20 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 18.** SEVERABILITY. (1) The provisions of this
21 chapter are not severable: If the conditions set forth in section
22 17(1) of this act are not satisfied or if any of the circumstances set
23 forth in section 17(2) of this act should occur, this entire chapter
24 shall have no effect from that point forward, except that if the
25 payment under section 11 of this act, or the application thereof to any
26 hospital or circumstances does not receive approval by the centers for
27 medicare and medicaid services as described in section 17(1)(b) of this
28 act or is determined to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the
29 other provisions of this chapter or its application to hospitals or
30 circumstances other than those to which it is held invalid shall not be
31 affected thereby.

32 (2) In the event that any portion of this chapter shall have been
33 validly implemented and the entire chapter is later rendered
34 ineffective under this section, prior assessments and payments under
35 the validly implemented portions shall not be affected.

36 (3) In the event that the payment under section 11 of this act, or
37 the application thereof to any hospital or circumstances does not

1 receive approval by the centers for medicare and medicaid services as
2 described in section 17(1)(b) of this act or is determined to be
3 unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, the amount of the assessment
4 shall be adjusted under section 6(1)(c) of this act.

5 **Sec. 19.** 2009 c 564 s 209 (uncodified) is amended to read as
6 follows:

7 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES--MEDICAL ASSISTANCE**
8 **PROGRAM**

9	General Fund--State Appropriation (FY 2010)	\$1,597,387,000
10	General Fund--State Appropriation (FY 2011)	\$1,984,797,000
11	General Fund--Federal Appropriation	\$5,210,672,000
12	General Fund--Private/Local Appropriation	\$12,903,000
13	Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Systems	
14	Trust Account--State Appropriation	\$15,076,000
15	Tobacco Prevention and Control Account--	
16	State Appropriation	\$3,766,000
17	TOTAL APPROPRIATION	\$8,824,601,000

18 The appropriations in this section are subject to the following
19 conditions and limitations:

20 (1) Based on quarterly expenditure reports and caseload forecasts,
21 if the department estimates that expenditures for the medical
22 assistance program will exceed the appropriations, the department shall
23 take steps including but not limited to reduction of rates or
24 elimination of optional services to reduce expenditures so that total
25 program costs do not exceed the annual appropriation authority.

26 (2) In determining financial eligibility for medicaid-funded
27 services, the department is authorized to disregard recoveries by
28 Holocaust survivors of insurance proceeds or other assets, as defined
29 in RCW 48.104.030.

30 (3) The legislature affirms that it is in the state's interest for
31 Harborview medical center to remain an economically viable component of
32 the state's health care system.

33 (4) When a person is ineligible for medicaid solely by reason of
34 residence in an institution for mental diseases, the department shall
35 provide the person with the same benefits as he or she would receive if
36 eligible for medicaid, using state-only funds to the extent necessary.

1 (5) In accordance with RCW 74.46.625, \$6,000,000 of the general
2 fund--federal appropriation is provided solely for supplemental
3 payments to nursing homes operated by public hospital districts. The
4 public hospital district shall be responsible for providing the
5 required nonfederal match for the supplemental payment, and the
6 payments shall not exceed the maximum allowable under federal rules.
7 It is the legislature's intent that the payments shall be supplemental
8 to and shall not in any way offset or reduce the payments calculated
9 and provided in accordance with part E of chapter 74.46 RCW. It is the
10 legislature's further intent that costs otherwise allowable for rate-
11 setting and settlement against payments under chapter 74.46 RCW shall
12 not be disallowed solely because such costs have been paid by revenues
13 retained by the nursing home from these supplemental payments. The
14 supplemental payments are subject to retrospective interim and final
15 cost settlements based on the nursing homes' as-filed and final
16 medicare cost reports. The timing of the interim and final cost
17 settlements shall be at the department's discretion. During either the
18 interim cost settlement or the final cost settlement, the department
19 shall recoup from the public hospital districts the supplemental
20 payments that exceed the medicaid cost limit and/or the medicare upper
21 payment limit. The department shall apply federal rules for
22 identifying the eligible incurred medicaid costs and the medicare upper
23 payment limit.

24 (6) \$1,110,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation and
25 \$1,105,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal year
26 2011 are provided solely for grants to rural hospitals. The department
27 shall distribute the funds under a formula that provides a relatively
28 larger share of the available funding to hospitals that (a) serve a
29 disproportionate share of low-income and medically indigent patients,
30 and (b) have relatively smaller net financial margins, to the extent
31 allowed by the federal medicaid program.

32 (7) \$9,818,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
33 year 2011, and \$9,865,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation
34 are provided solely for grants to nonrural hospitals. The department
35 shall distribute the funds under a formula that provides a relatively
36 larger share of the available funding to hospitals that (a) serve a
37 disproportionate share of low-income and medically indigent patients,

1 and (b) have relatively smaller net financial margins, to the extent
2 allowed by the federal medicaid program.

3 (8) The department shall continue the inpatient hospital certified
4 public expenditures program for the 2009-11 biennium. The program
5 shall apply to all public hospitals, including those owned or operated
6 by the state, except those classified as critical access hospitals or
7 state psychiatric institutions. The department shall submit reports to
8 the governor and legislature by November 1, 2009, and by November 1,
9 2010, that evaluate whether savings continue to exceed costs for this
10 program. If the certified public expenditures (CPE) program in its
11 current form is no longer cost-effective to maintain, the department
12 shall submit a report to the governor and legislature detailing
13 cost-effective alternative uses of local, state, and federal resources
14 as a replacement for this program. During fiscal year 2010 and fiscal
15 year 2011, hospitals in the program shall be paid and shall retain one
16 hundred percent of the federal portion of the allowable hospital cost
17 for each medicaid inpatient fee-for-service claim payable by medical
18 assistance and one hundred percent of the federal portion of the
19 maximum disproportionate share hospital payment allowable under federal
20 regulations. Inpatient medicaid payments shall be established using an
21 allowable methodology that approximates the cost of claims submitted by
22 the hospitals. Payments made to each hospital in the program in each
23 fiscal year of the biennium shall be compared to a baseline amount.
24 The baseline amount will be determined by the total of (a) the
25 inpatient claim payment amounts that would have been paid during the
26 fiscal year had the hospital not been in the CPE program, (b) one half
27 of the indigent assistance disproportionate share hospital payment
28 amounts paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005,
29 and (c) all of the other disproportionate share hospital payment
30 amounts paid to and retained by each hospital during fiscal year 2005
31 to the extent the same disproportionate share hospital programs exist
32 in the 2009-11 biennium. If payments during the fiscal year exceed the
33 hospital's baseline amount, no additional payments will be made to the
34 hospital except the federal portion of allowable disproportionate share
35 hospital payments for which the hospital can certify allowable match.
36 If payments during the fiscal year are less than the baseline amount,
37 the hospital will be paid a state grant equal to the difference between
38 payments during the fiscal year and the applicable baseline amount.

1 Payment of the state grant shall be made in the applicable fiscal year
2 and distributed in monthly payments. The grants will be recalculated
3 and redistributed as the baseline is updated during the fiscal year.
4 The grant payments are subject to an interim settlement within eleven
5 months after the end of the fiscal year. A final settlement shall be
6 performed. To the extent that either settlement determines that a
7 hospital has received funds in excess of what it would have received as
8 described in this subsection, the hospital must repay the excess
9 amounts to the state when requested. \$6,570,000 of the general fund--
10 state appropriation for fiscal year 2010, which is appropriated in
11 section 204(1) of this act, and \$1,500,000 of the general fund--state
12 appropriation for fiscal year 2011, which is appropriated in section
13 204(1) of this act, are provided solely for state grants for the
14 participating hospitals. Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this
15 section for the remaining state grants for the participating hospitals.

16 (9) The department is authorized to use funds appropriated in this
17 section to purchase goods and supplies through direct contracting with
18 vendors when the department determines it is cost-effective to do so.

19 (10) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the
20 department to continue podiatry services for medicaid-eligible adults.

21 (11) Sufficient amounts are appropriated in this section for the
22 department to provide an adult dental benefit that is at least
23 equivalent to the benefit provided in the 2003-05 biennium.

24 (12) \$93,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
25 year 2010 and \$93,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation are
26 provided solely for the department to pursue a federal Medicaid waiver
27 pursuant to Second Substitute Senate Bill No. 5945 (Washington health
28 partnership plan). If the bill is not enacted by June 30, 2009, the
29 amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

30 (13) The department shall require managed health care systems that
31 have contracts with the department to serve medical assistance clients
32 to limit any reimbursements or payments the systems make to providers
33 not employed by or under contract with the systems to no more than the
34 medical assistance rates paid by the department to providers for
35 comparable services rendered to clients in the fee-for-service delivery
36 system.

37 (14) Appropriations in this section are sufficient for the

1 department to continue to fund family planning nurses in the community
2 services offices.

3 (15) The department, in coordination with stakeholders, will
4 conduct an analysis of potential savings in utilization of home
5 dialysis. The department shall present its findings to the appropriate
6 house of representatives and senate committees by December 2010.

7 (16) A maximum of \$166,875,000 of the general fund--state
8 appropriation and \$38,389,000 of the general fund--federal
9 appropriation may be expended in the fiscal biennium for the general
10 assistance-unemployable medical program, and these amounts are provided
11 solely for this program. Of these amounts, \$10,749,000 of the general
12 fund--state appropriation for fiscal year 2010 and \$10,892,000 of the
13 general fund--federal appropriation are provided solely for payments to
14 hospitals for providing outpatient services to low income patients who
15 are recipients of general assistance-unemployable. Pursuant to RCW
16 74.09.035, the department shall not expend for the general assistance
17 medical care services program any amounts in excess of the amounts
18 provided in this subsection.

19 (17) If the department determines that it is feasible within the
20 amounts provided in subsection (16) of this section, and without the
21 loss of federal disproportionate share hospital funds, the department
22 shall contract with the carrier currently operating a managed care
23 pilot project for the provision of medical care services to general
24 assistance-unemployable clients. Mental health services shall be
25 included in the services provided through the managed care system. If
26 the department determines that it is feasible, effective October 1,
27 2009, in addition to serving clients in the pilot counties, the carrier
28 shall expand managed care services to clients residing in at least the
29 following counties: Spokane, Yakima, Chelan, Kitsap, and Cowlitz. If
30 the department determines that it is feasible, the carrier shall
31 complete implementation into the remaining counties. Total per person
32 costs to the state, including outpatient and inpatient services and any
33 additional costs due to stop loss agreements, shall not exceed the per
34 capita payments projected for the general assistance-unemployable
35 eligibility category, by fiscal year, in the February 2009 medical
36 assistance expenditures forecast. The department, in collaboration
37 with the carrier, shall seek to improve the transition rate of general
38 assistance clients to the federal supplemental security income program.

1 (18) The department shall evaluate the impact of the use of a
2 managed care delivery and financing system on state costs and outcomes
3 for general assistance medical clients. Outcomes measured shall
4 include state costs, utilization, changes in mental health status and
5 symptoms, and involvement in the criminal justice system.

6 (19) The department shall report to the governor and the fiscal
7 committees of the legislature by June 1, 2010, on its progress toward
8 achieving a twenty percentage point increase in the generic
9 prescription drug utilization rate.

10 (20) State funds shall not be used by hospitals for advertising
11 purposes.

12 (21) The department shall seek a medicaid state plan amendment to
13 create a professional services supplemental payment program for
14 University of Washington medicine professional providers no later than
15 July 1, 2009. The department shall apply federal rules for identifying
16 the shortfall between current fee-for-service medicaid payments to
17 participating providers and the applicable federal upper payment limit.
18 Participating providers shall be solely responsible for providing the
19 local funds required to obtain federal matching funds. Any incremental
20 costs incurred by the department in the development, implementation,
21 and maintenance of this program will be the responsibility of the
22 participating providers. Participating providers will retain the full
23 amount of supplemental payments provided under this program, net of any
24 potential costs for any related audits or litigation brought against
25 the state. The department shall report to the governor and the
26 legislative fiscal committees on the prospects for expansion of the
27 program to other qualifying providers as soon as feasibility is
28 determined but no later than December 31, 2009. The report will
29 outline estimated impacts on the participating providers, the
30 procedures necessary to comply with federal guidelines, and the
31 administrative resource requirements necessary to implement the
32 program. The department will create a process for expansion of the
33 program to other qualifying providers as soon as it is determined
34 feasible by both the department and providers but no later than June
35 30, 2010.

36 (22) \$9,350,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
37 year 2010, \$8,313,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for
38 fiscal year 2011, and \$20,371,000 of the general fund--federal

1 appropriation are provided solely for development and implementation of
2 a replacement system for the existing medicaid management information
3 system. The amounts provided in this subsection are conditioned on the
4 department satisfying the requirements of section 902 of this act.

5 (23) \$506,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
6 year 2011 and \$657,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation are
7 provided solely for the implementation of Second Substitute House Bill
8 No. 1373 (children's mental health). If the bill is not enacted by
9 June 30, 2009, the amounts provided in this subsection shall lapse.

10 (24) Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. Sec. 1396(a)(25), the department shall
11 pursue insurance claims on behalf of medicaid children served through
12 its in-home medically intensive child program under WAC 388-551-3000.
13 The department shall report to the Legislature by December 31, 2009, on
14 the results of its efforts to recover such claims.

15 (25) The department may, on a case-by-case basis and in the best
16 interests of the child, set payment rates for medically intensive home
17 care services to promote access to home care as an alternative to
18 hospitalization. Expenditures related to these increased payments
19 shall not exceed the amount the department would otherwise pay for
20 hospitalization for the child receiving medically intensive home care
21 services.

22 (26) \$425,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
23 year 2010, \$425,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
24 year 2011, and \$1,580,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation
25 are provided solely to continue children's health coverage outreach and
26 education efforts under RCW 74.09.470. These efforts shall rely on
27 existing relationships and systems developed with local public health
28 agencies, health care providers, public schools, the women, infants,
29 and children program, the early childhood education and assistance
30 program, child care providers, newborn visiting nurses, and other
31 community-based organizations. The department shall seek public-
32 private partnerships and federal funds that are or may become available
33 to provide on-going support for outreach and education efforts under
34 the federal children's health insurance program reauthorization act of
35 2009.

36 (27) The department, in conjunction with the office of financial
37 management, shall (~~reduce outpatient and inpatient hospital rates~~
38 ~~and~~) implement a prorated inpatient payment policy. (~~In determining~~

1 ~~the level of reductions needed, the department shall include in its~~
2 ~~calculations services paid under fee for service, managed care, and~~
3 ~~certified public expenditure payment methods; but reductions shall not~~
4 ~~apply to payments for psychiatric inpatient services or payments to~~
5 ~~critical access hospitals.))~~

6 (28) The department will pursue a competitive procurement process
7 for antihemophilic products, emphasizing evidence-based medicine and
8 protection of patient access without significant disruption in
9 treatment.

10 (29) The department will pursue several strategies towards reducing
11 pharmacy expenditures including but not limited to increasing generic
12 prescription drug utilization by 20 percentage points and promoting
13 increased utilization of the existing mail-order pharmacy program.

14 (30) The department shall reduce reimbursement for over-the-counter
15 medications while maintaining reimbursement for those over-the-counter
16 medications that can replace more costly prescription medications.

17 (31) The department shall seek public-private partnerships and
18 federal funds that are or may become available to implement health
19 information technology projects under the federal American recovery and
20 reinvestment act of 2009.

21 (32) The department shall target funding for maternity support
22 services towards pregnant women with factors that lead to higher rates
23 of poor birth outcomes, including hypertension, a preterm or low birth
24 weight birth in the most recent previous birth, a cognitive deficit or
25 developmental disability, substance abuse, severe mental illness,
26 unhealthy weight or failure to gain weight, tobacco use, or African
27 American or Native American race.

28 (33) The department shall direct graduate medical education funds
29 to programs that focus on primary care training.

30 (34) \$79,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
31 year 2010 and \$53,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation are
32 provided solely to implement Substitute House Bill No. 1845 (medical
33 support obligations).

34 (35) \$63,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
35 year 2010, \$583,000 of the general fund--state appropriation for fiscal
36 year 2011, and \$864,000 of the general fund--federal appropriation are
37 provided solely to implement Engrossed House Bill No. 2194
38 (extraordinary medical placement for offenders). The department shall

1 work in partnership with the department of corrections to identify
2 services and find placements for offenders who are released through the
3 extraordinary medical placement program. The department shall
4 collaborate with the department of corrections to identify and track
5 cost savings to the department of corrections, including medical cost
6 savings, and to identify and track expenditures incurred by the aging
7 and disability services program for community services and by the
8 medical assistance program for medical expenses. A joint report
9 regarding the identified savings and expenditures shall be provided to
10 the office of financial management and the appropriate fiscal
11 committees of the legislature by November 30, 2010. If this bill is
12 not enacted by June 30, 2009, the amounts provided in this subsection
13 shall lapse.

14 (36) Sufficient amounts are provided in this section to provide
15 full benefit dual eligible beneficiaries with medicare part D
16 prescription drug copayment coverage in accordance with RCW 74.09.520.

17 **Sec. 20.** RCW 43.84.092 and 2009 c 479 s 31, 2009 c 472 s 5, and
18 2009 c 451 s 8 are each reenacted and amended to read as follows:

19 (1) All earnings of investments of surplus balances in the state
20 treasury shall be deposited to the treasury income account, which
21 account is hereby established in the state treasury.

22 (2) The treasury income account shall be utilized to pay or receive
23 funds associated with federal programs as required by the federal cash
24 management improvement act of 1990. The treasury income account is
25 subject in all respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is
26 required for refunds or allocations of interest earnings required by
27 the cash management improvement act. Refunds of interest to the
28 federal treasury required under the cash management improvement act
29 fall under RCW 43.88.180 and shall not require appropriation. The
30 office of financial management shall determine the amounts due to or
31 from the federal government pursuant to the cash management improvement
32 act. The office of financial management may direct transfers of funds
33 between accounts as deemed necessary to implement the provisions of the
34 cash management improvement act, and this subsection. Refunds or
35 allocations shall occur prior to the distributions of earnings set
36 forth in subsection (4) of this section.

1 (3) Except for the provisions of RCW 43.84.160, the treasury income
2 account may be utilized for the payment of purchased banking services
3 on behalf of treasury funds including, but not limited to, depository,
4 safekeeping, and disbursement functions for the state treasury and
5 affected state agencies. The treasury income account is subject in all
6 respects to chapter 43.88 RCW, but no appropriation is required for
7 payments to financial institutions. Payments shall occur prior to
8 distribution of earnings set forth in subsection (4) of this section.

9 (4) Monthly, the state treasurer shall distribute the earnings
10 credited to the treasury income account. The state treasurer shall
11 credit the general fund with all the earnings credited to the treasury
12 income account except:

13 The following accounts and funds shall receive their proportionate
14 share of earnings based upon each account's and fund's average daily
15 balance for the period: The aeronautics account, the aircraft search
16 and rescue account, the budget stabilization account, the capitol
17 building construction account, the Cedar River channel construction and
18 operation account, the Central Washington University capital projects
19 account, the charitable, educational, penal and reformatory
20 institutions account, the cleanup settlement account, the Columbia
21 river basin water supply development account, the common school
22 construction fund, the county arterial preservation account, the county
23 criminal justice assistance account, the county sales and use tax
24 equalization account, the data processing building construction
25 account, the deferred compensation administrative account, the deferred
26 compensation principal account, the department of licensing services
27 account, the department of retirement systems expense account, the
28 developmental disabilities community trust account, the drinking water
29 assistance account, the drinking water assistance administrative
30 account, the drinking water assistance repayment account, the Eastern
31 Washington University capital projects account, the education
32 construction fund, the education legacy trust account, the election
33 account, the energy freedom account, the energy recovery act account,
34 the essential rail assistance account, The Evergreen State College
35 capital projects account, the federal forest revolving account, the
36 ferry bond retirement fund, the freight congestion relief account, the
37 freight mobility investment account, the freight mobility multimodal
38 account, the grade crossing protective fund, the public health services

1 account, the health system capacity account, the personal health
2 services account, the high capacity transportation account, the state
3 higher education construction account, the higher education
4 construction account, the highway bond retirement fund, the highway
5 infrastructure account, the highway safety account, the high occupancy
6 toll lanes operations account, the hospital safety net assessment fund,
7 the industrial insurance premium refund account, the judges' retirement
8 account, the judicial retirement administrative account, the judicial
9 retirement principal account, the local leasehold excise tax account,
10 the local real estate excise tax account, the local sales and use tax
11 account, the medical aid account, the mobile home park relocation fund,
12 the motor vehicle fund, the motorcycle safety education account, the
13 multimodal transportation account, the municipal criminal justice
14 assistance account, the municipal sales and use tax equalization
15 account, the natural resources deposit account, the oyster reserve land
16 account, the pension funding stabilization account, the perpetual
17 surveillance and maintenance account, the public employees' retirement
18 system plan 1 account, the public employees' retirement system combined
19 plan 2 and plan 3 account, the public facilities construction loan
20 revolving account beginning July 1, 2004, the public health
21 supplemental account, the public transportation systems account, the
22 public works assistance account, the Puget Sound capital construction
23 account, the Puget Sound ferry operations account, the Puyallup tribal
24 settlement account, the real estate appraiser commission account, the
25 recreational vehicle account, the regional mobility grant program
26 account, the resource management cost account, the rural arterial trust
27 account, the rural Washington loan fund, the site closure account, the
28 small city pavement and sidewalk account, the special category C
29 account, the special wildlife account, the state employees' insurance
30 account, the state employees' insurance reserve account, the state
31 investment board expense account, the state investment board commingled
32 trust fund accounts, the state patrol highway account, the state route
33 number 520 corridor account, the supplemental pension account, the
34 Tacoma Narrows toll bridge account, the teachers' retirement system
35 plan 1 account, the teachers' retirement system combined plan 2 and
36 plan 3 account, the tobacco prevention and control account, the tobacco
37 settlement account, the transportation 2003 account (nickel account),
38 the transportation equipment fund, the transportation fund, the

1 transportation improvement account, the transportation improvement
2 board bond retirement account, the transportation infrastructure
3 account, the transportation partnership account, the traumatic brain
4 injury account, the tuition recovery trust fund, the University of
5 Washington bond retirement fund, the University of Washington building
6 account, the urban arterial trust account, the volunteer firefighters'
7 and reserve officers' relief and pension principal fund, the volunteer
8 firefighters' and reserve officers' administrative fund, the Washington
9 fruit express account, the Washington judicial retirement system
10 account, the Washington law enforcement officers' and firefighters'
11 system plan 1 retirement account, the Washington law enforcement
12 officers' and firefighters' system plan 2 retirement account, the
13 Washington public safety employees' plan 2 retirement account, the
14 Washington school employees' retirement system combined plan 2 and 3
15 account, the Washington state health insurance pool account, the
16 Washington state patrol retirement account, the Washington State
17 University building account, the Washington State University bond
18 retirement fund, the water pollution control revolving fund, and the
19 Western Washington University capital projects account. Earnings
20 derived from investing balances of the agricultural permanent fund, the
21 normal school permanent fund, the permanent common school fund, the
22 scientific permanent fund, and the state university permanent fund
23 shall be allocated to their respective beneficiary accounts. All
24 earnings to be distributed under this subsection (4) shall first be
25 reduced by the allocation to the state treasurer's service fund
26 pursuant to RCW 43.08.190.

27 (5) In conformance with Article II, section 37 of the state
28 Constitution, no treasury accounts or funds shall be allocated earnings
29 without the specific affirmative directive of this section.

30 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 21.** EXPIRATION. This act expires July 1, 2013.

31 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 22.** EMERGENCY. This act is necessary for the
32 immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety, or
33 support of the state government and its existing public institutions,
34 and takes effect immediately.

1 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 23.** NEW CHAPTER. Sections 1 through 18, 21,
2 and 22 of this act constitute a new chapter in Title 74 RCW.

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