

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2708

Introduced by Assembly Member Keene

February 24, 2006

An act to amend Section 14126.021 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, relating to Medi-Cal.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2708, as introduced, Keene. Medi-Cal: long-term care facilities: reimbursement.

Existing law provides for the Medi-Cal program, which is administered by the State Department of Health Services and under which qualified low-income persons receive health care benefits, including nursing facility benefits.

Existing law requires the department to develop and implement a cost-based reimbursement rate methodology, using specified cost categories, for certain freestanding nursing facilities.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to this provision.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14126.021 of the Welfare and
- 2 Institutions Code is amended to read:
- 3 14126.021. The department shall develop and implement a
- 4 cost-based reimbursement rate methodology using the cost
- 5 categories as described in Section 14126.023, for freestanding
- 6 nursing facilities pursuant to this article, excluding *any* nursing

1 ~~facilities~~ *facility* that ~~are~~ *is* a distinct part of a facility that is
2 licensed as a general acute care hospital as identified pursuant to
3 subdivision (d) of Section 14126.02. The cost-based
4 reimbursement rate methodology shall be effective on August 1,
5 2005, and shall be implemented on the first day of the month
6 following federal approval.

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