

AMENDMENTS TO LB 548

1           1.     Strike the original sections and all amendments  
2 thereto and insert the following new sections:

3           "Section 1. It is the intent of the Legislature that in  
4 implementing section 2 of this act:

5           (1) The Department of Health and Human Services Finance  
6 and Support shall seek to access, to the extent possible under  
7 federal law, medicaid funds to reimburse school districts and  
8 educational service units for administrative expenses related to  
9 administrative activities, including outreach services, currently  
10 provided to medicaid-eligible and potentially medicaid-eligible  
11 students;

12           (2) School districts or educational service units shall  
13 not be required to perform any new activities or services; and

14           (3) The department shall coordinate administrative  
15 outreach activities provided by schools and educational service  
16 units with those provided under contract by other public or private  
17 providers. Medicaid administrative outreach activities provided by  
18 schools and educational service units shall enhance and not  
19 duplicate such activities by other providers.

20           Sec. 2. (1) On and after January 1, 2000, the Department  
21 of Health and Human Services, the Department of Health and Human  
22 Services Finance and Support, and the State Department of Education  
23 shall jointly develop a statewide billing system to access matching  
24 federal medicaid funds for medicaid administrative activities which

1 are not reimbursed through the medicaid reimbursement rates  
2 established under section 43-2511. The Director of Finance and  
3 Support shall apply for and secure any federal waivers and state  
4 medicaid plan amendments required to implement this section. Only  
5 administrative activities delivered by school districts or  
6 educational service units under contract with the Department of  
7 Health and Human Services Finance and Support which are not  
8 reimbursed through the reimbursement rates under section 43-2511  
9 shall be eligible for reimbursement under this section.

10 (2) Prior to entering into such a contract, the school  
11 district or educational service unit shall certify (a) the  
12 administrative activities for which they are seeking reimbursement,  
13 (b) that it shall expend nonfederal funds in an amount sufficient  
14 to meet the required nonfederal match of expenditures, (c) that all  
15 funds received under this section shall be used only to offset  
16 costs incurred in providing medicaid administrative activities  
17 under this section, including a transfer of funds to the department  
18 to pay for initial implementation and annual administrative costs,  
19 (d) compliance with all applicable federal and state rules and  
20 regulations, and (e) any other certification required by the  
21 department. School districts or educational service units  
22 accessing funds under this section shall transfer three percent or  
23 a percentage which corresponds to the department's actual cost,  
24 whichever is greater, of the total amount of funds accessed under  
25 this section for initial implementation and annual administrative  
26 costs. The department shall require audits, reports, and  
27 certifications as it deems necessary to oversee such contracts and

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1 shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations necessary to  
2 implement this section. Nothing in this section shall require any  
3 school district or educational service unit to enter into a  
4 contract with the department under this section. Nothing in this  
5 section shall prohibit the department from contracting with other  
6 public or private providers of medicaid administrative activities.  
7 Federal medicaid funds provided to school districts or educational  
8 services units under this section shall not be subject to section  
9 43-2515.

10           Sec. 3. The Revisor of Statutes shall assign sections 1  
11 and 2 of this act within Chapter 68, article 10.

12           Sec. 4. Sections 1 and 2 of this act become operative  
13 January 1, 2000. The other sections of this act become operative  
14 on their effective date.".