LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH LEGISLATURE SECOND SESSION

LEGISLATIVE BILL 942

Introduced by Dorn, 30. Read first time January 04, 2024 Committee: Appropriations

- A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to appropriations; to state intent regarding
 appropriations for medicaid nursing facilities and reports by the
 Department of Health and Human Services regarding appropriations for
 medicaid nursing facilities.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

| 1 | Section 1. <u>It is the intent of the Legislature that the total</u> |
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| 2 | amount appropriated to the Department of Health and Human Services, |
| 3 | Agency No. 25, for medicaid nursing facility rates for Program No. 348, |
| 4 | <u>specified as \$449,351,518 for FY2023-24 (\$186,851,595 General Funds and</u> |
| 5 | <u>\$262,499,923 Federal Funds) and \$471,819,094 for FY2024-25 (\$195,333,105</u> |
| 6 | General Funds and \$276,485,989 Federal Funds), shall be used in the |
| 7 | medicaid nursing facility rate calculation for Program No. 348, including |
| 8 | the calculation of the annual inflation factor. |
| 9 | It is the intent of the Legislature that the total amount |
| 10 | appropriated for medicaid nursing facility rates for Program No. 348 |
| 11 | includes amounts for rate enhancement and any other purpose related to |
| 12 | medicaid nursing facility services. |
| 13 | It is the intent of the Legislature that the department shall file a |
| 14 | report electronically with the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and the Clerk |
| 15 | of the Legislature no later than August 1, 2024, on how the inflation |
| 16 | factor was calculated for FY2024-25 rates. |
| 17 | <u>It is the intent of the Legislature that the department shall file a</u> |
| 18 | report electronically with the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and the Clerk |
| 19 | of the Legislature between December 15, 2024, and December 31, 2024, |
| 20 | identifying the amount of any remaining unobligated appropriation from |
| 21 | the prior appropriations earmarked for nursing facility payments. The |

22 <u>report shall include an identification of encumbrances and retroactive</u> 23 <u>payments.</u>