

LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA  
ONE HUNDRED NINTH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE BILL 268**

Introduced by Rountree, 3.

Read first time January 15, 2025

Committee:

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Medical Assistance Act; to amend
- 2 section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement, 2024; to
- 3 require the Department of Health and Human Services to implement a
- 4 provider rate increase as prescribed; to harmonize provisions; to
- 5 repeal the original section; and to declare an emergency.
- 6 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1           **Section 1.** Section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative Supplement,  
2 2024, is amended to read:

3           68-901 Sections 68-901 to 68-9,111 and section 2 of this act shall  
4 be known and may be cited as the Medical Assistance Act.

5           **Sec. 2.** (1) Beginning with fiscal year 2025-26, the department  
6 shall implement an increase to reimbursement rates paid to providers of  
7 developmental disability services equal to one hundred fifty percent of  
8 the state minimum wage amount.

9           (2) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate \$XXX from  
10 federal funds beginning in fiscal year 2025-26 to the department for  
11 reimbursement rates paid to providers of developmental disability  
12 services which shall be increased annually by an amount equal to the  
13 change in the core Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and  
14 Clerical Workers. Such funds shall only be used for this purpose.

15           **Sec. 3.** Original section 68-901, Revised Statutes Cumulative  
16 Supplement, 2024, is repealed.

17           **Sec. 4.** Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when  
18 passed and approved according to law.