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LEGISLATIVE BILL 721

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Committee: Health and Human Services

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to the Intergenerational Care Facility
- 2 Incentive Grant Program; to amend section 81-3145, Reissue Revised
- 3 Statutes of Nebraska; to change provisions related to eligibility
- 4 for grants as prescribed; and to repeal the original section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 **Section 1.** Section 81-3145, Reissue Revised Statutes of Nebraska, is
2 amended to read:

3 81-3145 (1) The Intergenerational Care Facility Incentive Grant
4 Program is created. It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate
5 three hundred thousand dollars from the Medicaid Managed Care Excess
6 Profit Fund for fiscal year 2024-25 to the Department of Health and Human
7 Services to provide grants pursuant to this section.

8 (2) The Department of Health and Human Services shall develop
9 requirements for eligibility, application, and audits for grants in
10 collaboration with statewide associations representing nursing homes as
11 defined in section 38-2414 and other stakeholders. The department shall
12 meet with such associations prior to October 1, 2024, to identify any
13 statutes, rules, regulations, or other regulatory barriers that impede
14 the development of an intergenerational care facility in which nursing
15 services and child care are provided and develop recommendations to
16 remediate such barriers that do not impact the safety of the staff or
17 recipients of the nursing services and child care or the quality of
18 nursing services and child care.

19 (3) The grants shall be awarded to facilities that are nursing homes
20 as defined in section 38-2414 or assisted-living facilities as defined in
21 section 71-5903 and that have been certified for participation in
22 medicare or medicaid. The grants shall be used for one-time startup or
23 expansion costs to provide for child care in such facilities. A facility
24 may be awarded one grant under this section of up to one hundred thousand
25 dollars. The grants shall be awarded for modification of structures,
26 modification of outside campus space of the nursing facilities, purchase
27 of child care equipment and supplies, or any combination of such
28 purposes. A facility that is applying for or awarded a grant is not
29 required to own or operate the child care services for which the grant is
30 awarded.

31 (4) The department shall award the grants to nonprofit and

1 ~~proprietary facilities~~ on the basis of date of application ~~with priority~~
2 ~~given to rural communities, as defined in section 81-1228, for~~
3 ~~applications filed on the same date.~~ A facility that was cited for
4 substandard quality of care during its most recent survey is not eligible
5 for a grant under this section. Each grant recipient shall establish a
6 plan to participate in the quality rating and improvement system
7 described in section 71-1956 within three years after the date the grant
8 is awarded.

9 **Sec. 2.** Original section 81-3145, Reissue Revised Statutes of
10 Nebraska, is repealed.