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LEGISLATIVE BILL 932

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Committee: Health and Human Services

- 1 A BILL FOR AN ACT relating to medical assistance; to amend section
- 2 68-992, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019; to provide duties for the
- 3 Department of Health and Human Services; and to repeal the original
- 4 section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

1 Section 1. Section 68-992, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019, is
2 amended to read:

3 68-992 (1) Eligibility for medical assistance shall be expanded to
4 include certain adults ages nineteen through sixty-four whose income is
5 equal to or less than one hundred thirty-eight percent of the federal
6 poverty level, as authorized and using the income methodology defined by
7 42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)(VIII) and related federal regulations and
8 guidance, as such statute, regulations, and guidance existed on January
9 1, 2018. On or before October 1, 2020, the Department of Health and Human
10 Services shall expand eligibility for medical assistance as required by
11 this section and provide medical assistance to those eligible.

12 (2) On or before April 1, 2019, in order to ensure that eligibility
13 for medical assistance is expanded as required by this section, the
14 Department of Health and Human Services shall submit a state plan
15 amendment and all other necessary documents seeking required approvals or
16 waivers to the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

17 (3) The Department of Health and Human Services shall take all
18 actions necessary to maximize federal financial participation in funding
19 medical assistance pursuant to this section.

20 (4) No greater or additional burdens or restrictions on eligibility,
21 enrollment, benefits, or access to health care services shall be imposed
22 on persons eligible for medical assistance pursuant to this section than
23 on any other population eligible for medical assistance.

24 (5) This section shall apply notwithstanding any other provision of
25 law or federal waiver.

26 Sec. 2. Original section 68-992, Revised Statutes Supplement, 2019,
27 is repealed.