



HOUSE BILL 339: PDN Workforce Stability/Medicaid.

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Committee:	House Health. If favorable, re-refer to Appropriations. If favorable, re-refer to Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House	Date:	March 30, 2021
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OVERVIEW: *HB 339 would increase the Medicaid reimbursement rate for private duty nursing services to \$11.25 per 15-minute unit (\$45 per hour) beginning July 1, 2021.*

CURRENT LAW: The Medicaid program covers private duty nursing services provided by a registered nurse or licensed practical nurse in a Medicaid beneficiary's private residence so that the beneficiary does not have to enter a skilled nursing facility. These services are covered under Medicaid Clinical Coverage Policies 3G-1 and 3G-2. The reimbursement rate for these services since the beginning of the COVID-19 public health emergency has been \$10.40 per 15-minute unit (\$41.60 per hour). Prior to the COVID-19 public health emergency, the reimbursement rate for these services was \$9.90 per 15-minute unit (\$39.60 per hour).

BILL ANALYSIS:

Section 1 would increase the Medicaid reimbursement rate for private duty nursing services to \$11.25 per 15-minute unit (\$45 per hour) beginning July 1, 2021.

Section 2 would appropriate funds to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Health Benefits, during the 2021-2023 fiscal biennium to pay for the increase in the private duty nursing reimbursement rate.

EFFECTIVE DATE: The increased reimbursement rate would become effective July 1, 2021. The remainder of the bill would become effective when the bill becomes law.

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