



## Study J – Regulation of Nursing and Assisted Living Beds

**Title of Study:** A study of the benefits, merits and negative impacts of regulating the number of nursing and assisted living beds in South Dakota. Further, recommend action that may include elimination of or revisions to regulations for the betterment of the South Dakota populace.

**Scope of Requested Study:**

- History of regulations in South Dakota.
- How have the issues surrounding this industry and its constituents changed in recent years?
- Comparison to other state's regulations and their results.
- Why continue to regulate the number of beds?
- What are the pro and con results from these regulations? Who benefits? How are these results measured/quantified? What are the trends?
- How can more "free enterprise" be introduced into our management of care facilities?
- What are the forecasted changes for the industry in South Dakota and its constituents?
- How can the industry best respond to demographic and geographic changes in the state and what role should the state play in these changes for the benefit of all concerned?

**Requested By:** Committee Vote: House Commerce and Energy

<b>Interested – House Members</b>		
<i>First Choice</i>	<i>Second Choice</i>	<i>Third Choice</i>
Campbell*	Conzet	Hawley
Deutsch*	Haugaard*	Wiik
Hunt	Holmes*	
Latterell*	Hunhoff	
Rounds	Qualm	
Schaefer	Schoenfish*	
Sly	Soli*	
Solum*	Stevens*	
Stalzer*		
Steinhauer*		
Westra		
Willadsen*		
Zikmund*		

<b>Not Interested - House</b>	
Anderson	
Bartling	
Bolin	
Dryden	
Heinemann	
Novstrup	
Rozum	
Schoenbeck	
Werner	

<b>Interested – Senate Members</b>		
<i>First Choice</i>	<i>Second Choice</i>	<i>Third Choice</i>
Shorma*	Bradford	Parsley
	Ewing*	
	Haggar*	
	Soholt	
	Tieszen	
	Vehle	

<b>Not Interested - Senate</b>	
Brown	White
Greenfield	
Haverly	
Hunhoff	
Monroe	
Novstrup	
Otten	
Peters	
Rampelberg	
Sutton	
Tidemann	
Van Gerpen	

\*Not currently serving on any other legislative interim committee.

## Study K – Payment Methodologies for Medicaid Providers

**Title of Study:** Assess existing payment methodologies for Medicaid providers to determine adequacy of payments that will provide for long term continuation of services and conclude with recommendations for any changes.

**Scope of Requested Study:**

- Current provider methodology for payment: hospitals - LTC - Community Based.
- Actual costs versus cost report data - What is included in cost reports - cost report years used for calculation.
- Projection of provider needs 5/10/20 years.
- Costs unaccounted for in reports.
- Other payment methodologies used in other states - Pros/Cons.
- Recommendations for any change.
- Funding sources for any changes for recommended increases.
- Sustainability and future growth.

**Requested By:** Individual Legislators: Representatives Jean Hunhoff and Dick Werner

<b><u>Interested – House Members</u></b>		
<i>First Choice</i>	<i>Second Choice</i>	<i>Third Choice</i>
Anderson (if needed)	Latterell*	Haugaard*
Dryden	Steinhauer*	Hunt
Hawley	Willadsen*	Rounds
Heinemann		Sly
Holmes*		Stalzer*
Hunhoff		Vehle
Schoenfish*		
Werner*		

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<b><u>Interested – Senate Members</u></b>		
<i>First Choice</i>	<i>Second Choice</i>	<i>Third Choice</i>
Parsley	Monroe*	Bradford
Peters		Ewing*
Rampelberg		Tieszen
Soholt		
Tidemann		

<b>Not Interested - Senate</b>	
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Greenfield	
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## Comments:

**Rep. Anderson:** “Study K seems to be an Appropriations issue. I am glad to serve on the committee if you need more appropriators. If you already have enough or want a different committee make-up I’m sure I’ll find other things to do with my summer.”

**Rep. Schoenbeck:** “I’m not returning, so better to appoint those that can be around to do something about it. I am impressed with Study K, the more I ponder it. It’s a big budget issue that probably has been viewed with the appropriate analytics (as opposed to – ‘what change is left on the table to pay this bill’. A worthy study topic.)”

**Rep. Soli:** “These all look like good studies. I’m impressed with the choices this year.”

**Rep. Wiik:** “The river basin task force takes a good share of my summer, but as a member of the House Commerce and Energy committee, I would be interested in learning more about the nursing home situation in South Dakota. However, there are many more suited and able to carry on the study than me.”

**Sen. Shorma:** “I have been contacted by more than one constituent seeking information on why there are not beds available nearer to their parents’ home town. I am interested in gaining more knowledge on the future direction and plans for assisted living and nursing home beds in SD.”

**Sen. Sutton:** “It is not that I am not interested in these topics. It is that my time will be extremely limited this summer with the new baby coming very soon. Thank you!”

**Rep. Hunhoff:** “I am very interested in serving on this committee (K). I have spent a career in health care and longevity on the Appropriations committee working with Medicaid funding. In 2008, I sponsored the legislation that provided for the long term care study which resulted in predicting needs and providers of services for our future. I am very familiar with the different types of Medicaid providers in the state and how Medicaid works. I would hope that at the conclusion of the study we would have a direction as to how to sustain the Medicaid program for providing enough providers for access and needed services for the Medicaid population. Thank you for your consideration.”

**Rep. Rounds:** “We had a very good discussion on the nursing home and assisted living topic in House Commerce Committee. There are several on the committee who have really taken an interest in this issue, so please don’t just fill the positions on the study committee with just members of the Health and Human Services committees. This study should include members with a variety of backgrounds, along with members who have a knowledge as to why previous administrations have supported moratoriums on nursing home beds.”

**Rep. Rozum:** “Although I have great interest in finding solutions for the meth/drug issue, I don’t have background or experience in this area so if there are legislators that can bring more to the table, that would be best. This issue really needs to have people in the trenches dealing with the meth issue heavily involved. The needs are far-reaching and any solutions will require many partners throughout the state. It is important to have people on this task force that bring experience and knowledge to the discussion.”

**Sen. Brown:** “As I am not returning, I think it is in the best interest of the studies to have members that may at least potentially be returning for the next session.”

**Rep. Sly:** “If there are plenty of legislators who request to be on interim committees, I am fine if they are chosen over me. If short of volunteers for the interim committees, feel free to use me where needed.”

**Rep. Stalzer:** "I'm very interested in the nursing home issue. Several constituents have approached me about the shortage of beds in Sioux Falls."

**Rep. Stevens:** "I am willing to serve on either Study I or J if needed. Thanks. Mike"

**Rep. Heinemann:** "I realize Dr. Curd and I may be the only DEA-licensed legislators, so I do believe I could provide valuable experience to the opiate discussion, but I can't do diligence to my dental practice and be in Pierre every other week this summer. If the two committees met back to back, it may work, but, for now, my preference has to be the Medicaid study. Dr. Heinemann"

**Sen. Greenfield:** "I would be interested in serving on Study I. This is of huge interest to law enforcement in my area and the Spink Co. Coalition, which has been conducting regular meetings to discuss substance abuse issues among our youth."

**Sen. Vehle:** "As a termed out member I should not serve on any summer study committee, but some years it is tough to find sufficient members. If that happens and then only as a very last resort should I be considered. I already have Rules and Planning committees this summer and they will keep me busy. Thanks. Mike."

**Sen. Otten:** "Due to my work load, I am unable to serve."

**Rep. Bartling:** "My summer has filled up significantly, so I will not be available to serve on any of these committees this interim. Thank you."