

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1014

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging Congress to revise eligibility requirements for certain Medicaid recipients of long-term care assistance.

WHEREAS, federal regulations currently provide that Medicaid to individuals in medical institutions, nursing facilities, and intermediate care facilities for the mentally retarded is effective with the first day of a period of not less than thirty consecutive days of institutionalization; and

WHEREAS, this requirement applies if an eligible individual's income minus twenty dollars is greater than the Supplemental Security Income standard but less than three hundred percent of the Supplemental Security Income standard; and

WHEREAS, this requirement precludes a nursing facility from recovering any amount for long-term care provided to these individuals for periods of stay that are less than thirty consecutive days; and

WHEREAS, nursing facilities are struggling financially in South Dakota and should be paid for the care provided to individuals who pass away before residing in the nursing facility for thirty consecutive days:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-seventh Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that Congress be urged to revise the regulation that precludes coverage for certain Medicaid eligible residents of nursing facilities unless they have been residents of the facility for thirty consecutive days and instead provide payment for these individuals upon the first day of institutionalization.

Adopted by the House of Representatives,
Concurred in by the Senate,

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