

HOUSE BILL No. 2508

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1 AN ACT concerning the Kansas program of medical assistance;
2 establishing a suspended eligibility status for recipients; relating to
3 notification by the Kansas department for aging and disability services,
4 the department of corrections and county sheriffs.
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6 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:*

7 Section 1. (a) (1) The department of health and environment shall
8 establish a suspended eligibility status for recipients of state medicaid
9 services under the Kansas medical assistance program and shall classify a
10 recipient as suspended from eligibility pursuant to this section. For any
11 recipient who may be classified as suspended from eligibility pursuant to
12 this section, the department of health and environment shall retain all
13 records relating to the recipient and shall not terminate the recipient's
14 eligibility for state medicaid services.

15 (2) Upon determination that a recipient's eligibility status should be
16 reinstated pursuant to this section, the department of health and
17 environment shall expedite reinstatement of the recipient's eligibility for
18 state medicaid services. The department of health and environment shall
19 not require such a recipient to begin the eligibility application process
20 anew for state medicaid services.

21 (3) Suspended eligibility status granted pursuant to this section shall
22 not entitle a recipient to coverage for state medicaid services during the
23 period of time for which the recipient is deemed to have suspended
24 eligibility. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the
25 department of health and environment from granting eligibility for state
26 medicaid services during any period of time for which a recipient may
27 receive reimbursement for state medicaid services to the extent otherwise
28 permitted under state and federal law.

29 (b) A recipient of state medicaid services under the Kansas medical
30 assistance program shall be granted suspended eligibility status upon:

31 (1) Admission to Larned state hospital, Osawatomie state hospital,
32 Kansas neurological institute or Parsons state hospital and training center;

33 (2) admission to a hospital, nursing facility or other institution with a
34 capacity of more than 16 beds that is primarily engaged in providing

1 diagnosis, treatment or care, including medical attention, nursing care and
2 related services, of persons with mental diseases; or

3 (3) incarceration in any correctional facility or jail or placement in
4 any juvenile correctional facility.

5 (c) (1) The secretary of health and environment shall adopt rules and
6 regulations prior to July 1, 2019, as may be necessary to implement and
7 administer the provisions of this section.

8 (2) Such rules and regulations shall include, but not be limited to, a
9 system and process to receive electronic information from the Kansas
10 department for aging and disability services, the department of corrections
11 and county sheriffs as may be necessary for the department of health and
12 environment to determine a state medicaid recipient's eligibility status
13 pursuant to this section.

14 Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
15 publication in the statute book.