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HOUSE BILL NO. 343

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Reported from the Committee on Seniors, Families and Children, April 15, 2015, with recommendation that the Senate Committee Substitute do pass and be placed on the Consent Calendar.

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ADRIANE D. CROUSE, Secretary.

AN ACT

To amend chapter 192, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the money follows the person demonstration program.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 192, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 192.926, to read as follows:

192.926. 1. By September 1, 2015, the department of social services in cooperation with the department of health and senior services and the department of mental health shall establish a committee to assess the continuation of the money follows the person demonstration program in order to support Missourians who have disabilities and those who are aging to transition from nursing facilities or habilitation centers to quality community settings. The committee shall study sustainability of the program beyond the current demonstration timeframe for all transitions to occur by September 30, 2018. The committee shall be administered and its members, with the exception of the members from the house of representatives and the senate, chosen by the director of the department of social services.

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2. The committee shall:

14 (1) Review the extent to which the demonstration program has15 achieved its purposes;

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(2) Assess any possible improvements to the program;

17 (3) Investigate program elements and costs to sustain the18 program beyond its current demonstration period;

19 (4) Explore cost savings achieved through the demonstration20 program;

(5) Investigate the possibility and need to apply for a waiverfrom the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

3. The committee shall include fiscal staff from the department
of social services, the department of health and senior services, the
department of mental health, and the office of administration's division
of budget and planning. The committee shall also be comprised of a
representative from each of the following:

28 (1) The division of senior and disability services within the 29 department of health and senior services;

30 (2) The MO HealthNet division within the department of social
 31 services;

32 (3) The division of developmental disabilities within the 33 department of mental health;

34 (4) Centers for independent living and area agencies on aging
 35 currently serving as money follows the person local contact agencies;

36 (5) The Missouri assistive technology council;

37 (6) The Missouri developmental disabilities council;

38 (7) The skilled nursing community predominately serving MO
 39 HealthNet participants;

40 (8) The Missouri house of representatives, appointed by the 41 speaker of the house of representatives; and

42 (9) The Missouri senate, appointed by the president pro tempore43 of the senate.

44 4. The committee may also include other members or workgroups 45 deemed necessary to accomplish its purposes, including but not limited 46 to representatives from state agencies, local advisory groups and 47 community members, and members of the general assembly with 48 valuable input regarding the activities of the money follows the person 49 demonstration program.

50 5. The department of social services in cooperation with the 51 department of health and senior services and the department of mental 52 health shall make recommendations based on the findings of the 53 committee and report them to the general assembly and the governor 54 by July 1, 2016.

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6. The provisions of this section shall expire on January 1, 2017.

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