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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 623	
2	INTRODUCED BY T. FUREY	
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4	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT INCREASING THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE FOR TARGETED	
5	CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR HIGH-RISK PREGNANT WOMEN AND CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL	
6	HEALTH CARE NEEDS; PROVIDING AN APPROPRIATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."	
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8	WHEREAS, targeted case management services for high-risk pregnant women were incorporated into	
9	the Montana Medicaid state plan in 1991; and	
10	WHEREAS, targeted case management services for children with special health care needs were	
11	incorporated into the Montana Medicaid state plan in 1996; and	
12	WHEREAS, these services improve the health status of pregnant women and their newborns and of	
13	children with special health care needs; and	
14	WHEREAS, the preventive services and coordination of services to these Medicaid clients prevents	
15	higher Medicaid utilization costs; and	
16	WHEREAS, these services are delivered largely by local public health nurses and other professionals	
17	in local county health departments across Montana; and	
18	WHEREAS, the reimbursement rates for these services, unlike other Medicaid services, have not been	
19	increased since the services were authorized almost two decades ago; and	
20	WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that an increase in reimbursement to a rate equitable to other Medicaid	
21	targeted case management services is necessary to keep these services available to high-risk pregnant women	
22	and children with special health care needs.	
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24	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:	
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26	NEW SECTION. Section 1. Reimbursement rate for certain targeted case management services.	
27	The department of public health and human services shall adopt administrative rules increasing medicaid	
28	reimbursement rates for the following targeted case management services to a minimum of:	
29	(1) \$20 for each 15 minutes of service to high-risk pregnant women; and	
30	(2) \$25 for each 15 minutes of service to children with special health care needs.	

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NEW SECTION. Section 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the department of public health
and human services \$1,339,602 in each year of the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, to pay for the increase in
the medicaid reimbursement rate for targeted case management services provided for in [section 1], as follows:
(1) \$452,919 of state general fund and \$886,683 in federal funds in fiscal year 2012; and
(2) \$458,948 in state general fund and \$880,654 in federal funds in fiscal year 2013.

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8 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> **Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective July 1, 2011.

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