

BUDGET REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES

Minutes of the 1st Meeting of the 2025 Interim

June 4, 2025

Call to Order and Roll Call

The 1st meeting of the Budget Review Subcommittee on Health and Family Services was held on June 4, 2025, at 10:30 AM in Room 129 of the Capitol Annex. Representative Ken Fleming, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Representatives Ken Fleming Member; Wade Williams Co-Chair; Senators Stephen Meredith, Karen Berg, and Lindsey Tichenor; Representatives Adam Bowling, Kimberly Poore Moser, Robert Duvall, Rebecca Raymer, and Nick Wilson.

Guests: Lisa Lee, Commissioner, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services; Steve Bechtel, Chief Financial Officer, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services

LRC Staff: Miriam Fordham, Kevin Newton, and Benjamin Thompson.

Status Update on Implementation of 2025 Regular Session House Bill 695

Lisa Lee, Commissioner, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services; Steve Bechtel, Chief Financial Officer, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services provided information regarding the implementation of 2025 RS HB 695.

In response to questions from Representative Fleming, Commissioner Lee noted that the 11 vacancies within the Department for Medicaid Services are spread across the department. Commissioner Lee stated that the scorecard for managed care organizations in response to 2025 RS HB 695 is being developed in collaboration with the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities.

Medicaid Budget: Status Update on Fiscal Year 2025 Expenditures

Lisa Lee, Commissioner, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services; Steve Bechtel, Chief Financial Officer, Department for Medicaid Services, Cabinet for Health and Family Services provided an update on Fiscal Year 2025 Medicaid expenditures.

In response to questions from Senator Berg, Mr. Bechtel said that Medicaid Benefits are

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funded with eighty percent federal funds. Commissioner Lee noted that there were a lot of unknowns with the federal reconciliation bill.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the subcommittee, the meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.