

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

BY HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

STATING FINDINGS OF THE LEGISLATURE AND ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY
MEDICAID MANAGED CARE AND TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

WHEREAS, costs associated with Idaho's Medicaid program have risen significantly in recent years; and

WHEREAS, it would be in the interest of the state's fiscal health to contain Medicaid costs, ensuring more budget predictability and program sustainability; and

WHEREAS, attempting to contain Medicaid costs without careful study and consideration could have counterproductive effects, including loss of access to health care and adverse health impacts for Medicaid participants; and

WHEREAS, at least 40 states use Medicaid managed care to deliver Medicaid services; and

WHEREAS, successful implementation of managed care has been associated with reduced costs and improved health care access and quality of care for Medicaid participants; and

WHEREAS, prior to implementing a comprehensive managed care program, the Legislature requires a thorough study of existing Medicaid managed care programs in Idaho and other states to determine the most successful and cost-effective means of implementing managed care; and

WHEREAS, in considering whether to implement a comprehensive managed care program, the Legislature would benefit from a detailed comparison between managed care services and value-based services, including a cost-benefit analysis of both.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the members of the First Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh Idaho Legislature, the House of Representatives and the Senate concurring therein, that the Legislative Council is authorized to establish a task force to undertake and complete a study of Medicaid managed care programs, including a comparison of the costs and benefits of Medicaid managed care services and value-based services, and to make recommendations regarding a comprehensive Medicaid managed care program in Idaho, with the goal of reducing costs, achieving a predictable and transparent Medicaid budget, improving health care access and outcomes, and ensuring network adequacy for Medicaid participants. The Legislative Council shall determine the number of legislators and membership from each house appointed to the task force and shall authorize the task force to receive input, advice, and assistance from interested and affected parties who are not members of the Legislature.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall include, as nonvoting members of the task force, the Director of the Department of Health and Welfare or the Director's designee, and a designee of the Governor.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the cochairs of the task force who are ap-
2 pointed by the Legislative Council may appoint additional nonvoting members
3 of the task force to represent stakeholders, including hospitals, Medicaid
4 providers, and insurance providers.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that nonlegislative members of the task force
6 shall not be reimbursed from legislative funds for per diem, mileage, or
7 other expenses.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Services Office shall pro-
9 vide staff support to the task force.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall, by January 31, 2024,
11 report its findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation, if any, to
12 the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-seventh Idaho Legislature.