

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

SENATE BILL

No. 952

Session of
1983

INTRODUCED BY SHUMAKER, REIBMAN, HOPPER, BELL, MELLOW,
JUBELIRER, EARLY, KUSSE, PECORA, CORMAN, WILT, BRIGHTBILL,
LINCOLN, KELLEY, SINGEL, WILLIAMS, LYNCH, BODACK, WENGER,
KRATZER, HELFRICK, RHOADES, STREET, MOORE, HOLL, FISHER,
LOEPER, SHAFFER, SNYDER, O'CONNELL, HESS, MUSTO, ANDREZESKI,
ROCKS, ROSS, STAPLETON, FUMO AND HANKINS, JULY 20, 1983

REFERRED TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE, JULY 20, 1983

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of June 13, 1967 (P.L.31, No.21), entitled "An
2 act to consolidate, editorially revise, and codify the public
3 welfare laws of the Commonwealth," providing for an increase
4 in individual ceilings for allowable net operating costs for
5 intermediate care facilities.

6 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
7 hereby enacts as follows:

8 Section 1. Section 443.1 of the act of June 13, 1967
9 (P.L.31, No.21), known as the Public Welfare Code, is amended by
10 adding a clause to read:

11 Section 443.1. Medical Assistance Payments for Institutional
12 Care.--The following medical assistance payments shall be made
13 in behalf of eligible persons whose institutional care is
14 prescribed by physicians:

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16 (5) Individual ceilings for allowable net operating per diem
17 costs established for the various intermediate care facilities

1 for the fiscal year 1983-1984 shall be increased at a minimum by
2 ten percent. The nursing staff allowance recognized for medical
3 assistance reimbursement shall be three and five-tenths nursing
4 hours for skilled nursing facility services and three nursing
5 hours for intermediate care. It is the intent of the General
6 Assembly that the increase is necessary to maintain appropriate
7 care for patients whose services have been redefined by the
8 department's regulations of January 8, 1983 pertaining to levels
9 of care. Individual ceilings for the intermediate care
10 facilities for the fiscal year 1983-1984 shall be increased a
11 minimum of ten percent from the ceilings in effect for the
12 fiscal year 1982-1983.

13 Section 2. This act shall take effect immediately.