

Committee Action:
Do Pass _____
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Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services

This measure may be considered for action during today's work session.

ASSEMBLY BILL 283

Makes changes relating to doula services. (BDR S-844)

Sponsored By: Assembly Members Summers-Armstrong, Marzola, and Peters,
et al.

Date Heard: March 22, 2023

Fiscal Notes: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: Yes.

Assembly Bill 283 requires the Department of Health and Human Services to amend the State Plan for Medicaid to increase to at least \$1,200 the Medicaid reimbursement rate provided on a fee-for-service basis for certain doula services. The bill provides that such reimbursement is limited to once per pregnancy.

Amendments:

Assemblywoman Summers-Armstrong proposes the attached conceptual amendment.

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 283—ASSEMBLYMEN SUMMERS-ARMSTRONG,
MARZOLA, PETERS; BILBRAY-AXELROD, CARTER,
GONZÁLEZ, BRITTNEY MILLER, C.H. MILLER, NGUYEN AND
WATTS

MARCH 14, 2023

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to health care; requiring the Department of Health and Human Services to seek an increase to certain reimbursement rates under the Medicaid program for doula services; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Existing law requires the Department of Health and Human Services to
2 administer the Medicaid program. (NRS 422.270) This bill requires the Department
3 to submit to the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services on or before
4 October 1, 2023, a request to amend the State Plan for Medicaid to increase the rate
5 of reimbursement which is provided on a fee-for-service basis pursuant to the State
6 Plan for certain services provided by a doula to at least \$1200. This bill provides
7 that such reimbursement is limited to once per pregnancy.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 **Section 1.** 1. On or before October 1, 2023, the Department
2 of Health and Human Services shall submit to the United States
3 Secretary of Health and Human Services a request to amend the
4 State Plan for Medicaid to increase the rate of reimbursement which
5 is provided on a fee-for-service basis pursuant to the State Plan for
6 services provided by a doula *that is intended to cover the cost of*
the service. The Department may establish an incentive payment for

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doulas that provide services in rural areas of the State. ~~to at least \$1200, limited to one~~

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- ~~1 reimbursement per pregnancy. Such services must consist~~
~~2 of~~
~~3 services related to labor and delivery under the codes in~~
~~4 *Current*~~
~~5 *Procedural Terminology* published by the American~~
~~6 *Medical*~~
~~7 *Association:*~~
~~8 (a) Code 59409, Vaginal delivery only.~~
~~9 (b) Code 59514, Cesarean delivery only.~~
~~10 (c) Code 59612, Vaginal delivery only after previous~~
~~11 cesarean~~
~~12 delivery.~~
~~13 (d) Code 59620, cesarean delivery only after attempted~~
~~14 vaginal~~
~~15 delivery after previous cesarean delivery.~~
11 2. The request submitted pursuant to subsection 1 must be
12 supported using methods for determining reimbursement rates
13 accepted by the Secretary.
14 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

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