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HOUSE BILL DRH40356-MRa-94 (03/23)

Short Title: Increase Personal Care Services Rates. (Public)

Sponsors: Representatives Malone, Dobson, and Murphy (Primary Sponsors).

Referred to:

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT TO INCREASE THE RATE PAID FOR PERSONAL CARE SERVICES PROVIDED TO MEDICAID AND NC HEALTH CHOICE RECIPIENTS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Beginning January 1, 2018, the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, shall increase to four dollars and twenty-five cents (\$4.25) the fifteen-minute rate paid for personal care services provided pursuant to Clinical Coverage Policy 3L.

SECTION 2. The rate increase under Section 1 of this act will affect only half of the 2017-2018 fiscal year. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medical Assistance, the sum of seventeen million nine hundred seventy-nine thousand one hundred twenty-two dollars (\$17,979,122) for fiscal year 2017-2018 and thirty-seven million three hundred eighty-five thousand five hundred forty-four dollars (\$37,385,544) for fiscal year 2018-2019 to implement the rate increases authorized under Section 1 of this act. These funds shall provide a State match for an estimated thirty-seven million five hundred twenty-nine thousand one hundred twenty-six dollars (\$37,529,126) in federal funds for the 2017-2018 fiscal year and seventy-eight million thirty-seven thousand five hundred sixty-one dollars (\$78,037,561) in federal funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, and those federal funds are hereby appropriated to the Division of Medical Assistance to pay for costs associated with the rate increase under Section 1 of this act.

SECTION 3. This act becomes effective July 1, 2017.

