
SENATE BILL NO. 422—COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

(ON BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION)

MARCH 23, 2015

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Allows for the continued inclusion of certain drugs on the list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the Medicaid program. (BDR 38-1159)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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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 Medicaid; repealing the prospective expiration of provisions governing the list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the Medicaid program; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Legislative Counsel’s Digest:

1 Under existing law, the Department of Health and Human Services is required
2 to develop by regulation a list of preferred prescription drugs to be used for the
3 Medicaid program. The Department is also required to establish a list of
4 prescription drugs that must be excluded from any restrictions that are imposed on
5 drugs that are on the list of preferred prescription drugs. Existing law further
6 requires the Department to include certain specified drugs on the list of drugs
7 excluded from the restrictions. (NRS 422.4025) Before July 1, 2010, the
8 Department was required to exclude certain atypical and typical antipsychotic
9 medications, anticonvulsant medications and antidiabetic medications from the
10 restrictions that are imposed on drugs which are on the list of preferred prescription
11 drugs, but the Legislature suspended this requirement for the period from July 1,
12 2010, to June 30, 2015. (Chapter 4, Statutes of Nevada 2010, 26th Special Session,
13 p. 35; chapter 225, Statutes of Nevada 2011, p. 985) This bill repeals the
14 prospective expiration of such provisions, which has the effect of permanently
15 authorizing the inclusion of those types of medications in the restrictions that are
16 imposed on drugs which are on the list of preferred prescription drugs to be used
17 for the Medicaid program.



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

1 **Section 1.** Section 4 of chapter 4, Statutes of Nevada 2010,
2 26th Special Session, as amended by section 1 of chapter 224,
3 Statutes of Nevada 2011, at page 985, is hereby amended to read as
4 follows:

5 Sec. 4. This act becomes effective on July 1, 2010 . †
6 ~~and expires by limitation on June 30, 2015.†~~

7 **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective upon passage and approval.

