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ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 5—COMMITTEE ON  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

(ON BEHALF OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN,  
YOUTH AND FAMILIES (NRS 218.53723))

PREFILED JANUARY 27, 2003

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Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Requires Director of Department of Human Resources to include in State Plan for Medicaid requirement that young adults who have “aged out” of foster care are eligible for Medicaid. (BDR 38-691)

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

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

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AN ACT relating to public welfare; requiring the Director of the Department of Human Resources to include in the State Plan for Medicaid a requirement that young adults who have “aged out” of foster care are eligible for Medicaid; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

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

- 1     **Section 1.** Chapter 422 of NRS is hereby amended by adding  
2     thereto a new section to read as follows:  
3     ***1. The Director shall include in the State Plan for Medicaid a***  
4     ***requirement that an independent foster care adolescent is eligible***  
5     ***for Medicaid.***  
6     ***2. As used in this section, “independent foster care***  
7     ***adolescent” means:***  
8     ***(a) A person described in 42 U.S.C. § 1396d(w)(1), as that***  
9     ***section existed on July 1, 2003; or***



1       ***(b) If the Director specifies a different category of adolescents***  
2 ***in the manner set forth in 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XVII),***  
3 ***as that section existed on July 1, 2003, a person who is within***  
4 ***such a category.***

5       **Sec. 2.** NRS 422.240 is hereby amended to read as follows:  
6       422.240 1. Money to carry out the provisions of NRS  
7 422.001 to 422.410, inclusive, ***and section 1 of this act,*** and  
8 422.580, including, without limitation, any federal money allotted to  
9 the State of Nevada pursuant to the program to provide Temporary  
10 Assistance for Needy Families and the Program for Child Care and  
11 Development, must be provided by appropriation by the Legislature  
12 from the State General Fund.

13       2. Disbursements for the purposes of NRS 422.001 to 422.410,  
14 inclusive, ***and section 1 of this act,*** and 422.580 must be made upon  
15 claims duly filed, audited and allowed in the same manner as other  
16 money in the State Treasury is disbursed.

17       **Sec. 3.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2003.

