

Health Care Reform Legislation Comparison Table

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	HF 2539 as amended in Senate Appropriations Committee	HF 2539 as amended and passed the House	Senate Amendment Appropriations
Covering Kids	<p>Strikes all of the House health coverage language and replaces as follows:</p> <p>Mandates coverage for all kids by January 1, 2011 by covering more kids under <i>hawk-i</i></p> <p>Uses Iowa Comprehensive Health Insurance Association (Insurance Division)</p> <p>Implements a <i>hawk-i</i> expansion program to subsidize private coverage for non <i>hawk-i</i> eligible children up to 19 years up to 300 % FPL with cost-sharing requirements for families between 200-300 % FPL by July 1, 2009.</p> <p>Requires by July 1, 2008, the Association to develop, with assistance from DHS, enhanced <i>hawk-i</i> and Medicaid outreach and enrollment strategies.</p> <p>Creates an Iowa Choice Health Care Coverage Program and advisory council to develop policies to offer unsubsidized health care coverage to children under 19 with a family income more than 300 % FPL and to adults and families with a family income of less than 400% FPL.</p>	<p>Goal to cover all kids by December 31, 2010, as funding becomes available, by expanding <i>hawk-i</i> coverage up to 300 % FPL</p> <p>Develop plan to cover all kids due December 31, 2010 (DHS)</p> <p>Requires the Insurance Commissioner to assist small employers (25 or less employees) with implementing and administering medical expense reimbursement and dependent care accounts.</p>	<p>Covering Children: FY08-09: \$4.8M FY09-10: \$14.8M, FY10-11: \$24.8M</p> <p>Iowa Choice: \$50,000 to Insurance Division</p>
Covering Adults	See above.	Develop plan to cover all adults due January 1, 2013 (DHS)	
Disability Coverage	Keeps the Family Opportunity Act language.	Amends Family Opportunity Act to allow the program to begin when DHS determines that sufficient funding becomes available.	
Continued Dependent Coverage	Up to 25 years of age on parent's insurance if full time student. Applies to group insurance for private and public employees.	Up to 25 years of age on parent's insurance if full time student. Applies to group insurance for private employees.	
Pre-existing Conditions	Prohibits insurance companies from excluding pre-existing conditions when moving from an individual plan to a group plan or between individual plans.	Prohibits insurance companies from excluding pre-existing conditions when moving from an individual plan to a group plan or between individual plans.	
Medical Home	Establishes patient-centered medical home in a primary care setting and a Medical Home Commission to implement a statewide medical home system (IDPH)	Establishes patient-centered medical home in a primary care setting and a Medical Home Commission to implement a statewide medical home system (IDPH)	\$137,800 to IDPH

	<p>Requires approval of the State Board of Health for medical home recommendations and activities.</p> <p>Adds chiropractors as primary care physicians.</p> <p>Changes date for implementation of the dental home initiative to December 31, 2010 and clarifies that EPSDT services are required.</p>	<p>Requires approval of the State Board of Health for medical home recommendations and activities.</p> <p>Changes date for implementation of the dental home initiative to December 31, 2010 and clarifies that EPSDT services are required.</p>	
Health Information Technology	<p>Strikes parts of the House language regarding the health information technology provisions and replaces with the Senate language. The Senate language specifies the members of the commission and of the advisory committee to the commission. (IDPH)</p> <p>Requires adoption of statewide health information technology plan by January 1, 2009, which should include a single patient identifier or alternative mechanism to share secure patient information and issues related to the content of electronic transmissions that health professionals shall use by January 1, 2010.</p>	<p>Establishes an Iowa Electronic Health Information Commission and advisory committee to promote use of electronic health information technology. (IDPH)</p> <p>Requires adoption of statewide health information technology plan by January 1, 2009.</p>	\$118,000 to IDPH
Prevention and Chronic Care Management	<p>Establishes Prevention and Chronic Care Management Advisory Council to develop a state initiative for chronic care management. (IDPH)</p> <p>Establishes a clinicians advisory panel. (IDPH)</p> <p>Strikes the requirement that DHS apply for a federal waiver to assist in the implementation of the prevention and chronic care management initiative for Medicaid and IowaCare populations.</p>	<p>Establishes Prevention and Chronic Care Management Advisory Council to develop state initiative for chronic care management. (IDPH)</p> <p>Establishes a clinicians advisory panel.</p>	\$150,500 to IDPH
Long-Term Care Planning	<p>Keeps the development of end of life care decision making materials, adds long-term care options public education campaign, Home and Community-Based Services public education campaign. (DEA)</p> <p>Adds patient autonomy in health care decisions pilot. (IDPH)</p>	<p>Development of end of life care decision making materials. (DEA)</p>	<p>End of Life: \$10,000 to DEA</p> <p>Long-Term Care: \$75,000 to DEA</p> <p>Patient Autonomy Pilot: \$40,000 to IDPH</p>
Wellness	<p>Strikes the Governor's wellness</p>	<p>Incorporates Governor's wellness bill:</p>	Healthy

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	<p>proposals because they are already in SF 2319.</p> <p>Keeps the small business wellness tax credit proposal.</p>	<p>community grants, Governor's Council on Physical Fitness and Nutrition, best practices web site.</p> <p>Requires IDPH, in consultation with the Insurance Division and the Department of Revenue to develop a plan for small business tax credits for qualified wellness programs. Plan due to the Governor and General Assembly by December 15, 2008.</p>	<p>Communities: \$450,000 to IDPH</p> <p>Governor's Council on Physical Fitness: \$112,100 for the</p>
Cost Containment	<p>Adds the establishment of a new office of Health Care Quality, Cost Containment, and Consumer Information (IDPH)</p>		<p>\$135,900 to IDPH</p>
Transparency	<p>Keeps the Medical Assistance Quality Improvement Council and the health care transparency reporting requirements.</p> <p>Adds the establishment of the Bureau of Health Insurance Oversight (Insurance Division)</p> <p>Requires that each nonprofit hospital submit annually to IDPH and the Legislative Services Agency an IRS form 990, a schedule J, or other successor schedule that provides compensation information for certain officers, directors, trustees, and key employees, and highest compensated employees.</p>	<p>Establishes a Medical Assistance Quality Improvement Council in DHS.</p> <p>Establishes health care transparency reporting requirements for hospitals and suppliers of durable medical equipment.</p>	<p>\$80,000 to Insurance Division</p>
Bureau of Health Care Access	<p>Adds language adding to the duties of the Bureau of Health Care Access to develop a Statewide Health Care Delivery Infrastructure and Resources Strategic Plan, including elements that could impact the Certificate of Need program. (IDPH)</p>		<p>\$135,900 to IDPH</p>
Certificate of Need	<p>Adds the expansion of the Health Facilities Council from 5 to 7 members. Adds a health economist and an actuary.</p>		