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HUMAN RESOURCES

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the resource limits applicable to certain
2 employed persons with disabilities under the medical
3 assistance program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 249A.3, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code
2 Supplement 2001, is amended to read as follows:

3 a. As allowed under 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii)(XIII),
4 individuals with disabilities, who are less than sixty-five
5 years of age, who are members of families whose income is less
6 than two hundred fifty percent of the most recently revised
7 official poverty line published by the federal office of
8 management and budget for the family, who have earned income
9 and who are eligible for medical assistance or additional
10 medical assistance under this section if earnings are
11 disregarded. As allowed by 42 U.S.C. § 1396a(r)(2), unearned
12 income shall also be disregarded in determining whether an
13 individual is eligible for assistance under this paragraph.
14 For the purposes of determining the amount of an individual's
15 resources under this paragraph and as allowed by 42 U.S.C. §
16 1396a(r)(2), a maximum of ~~ten~~ thirty thousand dollars of
17 available resources shall be disregarded and any additional
18 resources held in a retirement account, in a medical savings
19 account, in an assistive technology account, or in any other
20 account approved under rules adopted by the department shall
21 also be disregarded. Individuals eligible for assistance
22 under this paragraph, whose individual income exceeds one
23 hundred fifty percent of the official poverty line published
24 by the federal office of management and budget for an
25 individual, shall pay a premium. The amount of the premium
26 shall be based on a sliding fee schedule adopted by rule of
27 the department and shall be based on a percentage of the
28 individual's income. The maximum premium payable by an
29 individual whose income exceeds one hundred fifty percent of
30 the official poverty line shall be commensurate with premiums
31 charged for private group health insurance in this state.
32 ~~This paragraph shall be implemented no later than March 1,~~
33 ~~2000.~~

34 EXPLANATION

35 This bill increases the resource disregard under the

1 medical assistance program for employed persons with
2 disabilities from \$10,000 to \$30,000. The bill also adds to
3 retirement accounts and medical savings accounts, assistive
4 technology accounts, as additional resources that may be
5 disregarded under the program.

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