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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to and making appropriations from the senior  
2 living trust fund to the department of elder affairs and the  
3 department of human services.

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

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APPROPRIATIONS

1 Section 1. DEPARTMENT OF ELDER AFFAIRS APPROPRIATION.

2 There is appropriated from the senior living trust fund  
3 created in section 249H.4 to the department of elder affairs  
4 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June  
5 30, 2002, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
6 necessary, to be used for the purpose designated:

7 For the development of a comprehensive senior living  
8 program, including program administration and costs associated  
9 with implementation, salaries, support, maintenance, and  
10 miscellaneous purposes:

11 ..... \$ 5,067,626

12 Of the funds appropriated in this section, \$100,000 shall  
13 be used by the department to fund recruitment and retention  
14 strategies to provide additional training and support for  
15 certified nurse aides, employed by nursing facilities, as a  
16 means of reducing staff turnover. The department shall  
17 contract with an agency or organization whose primary purpose  
18 is the improvement of the nurse aide profession through the  
19 provision of continuing education, support and empowerment  
20 programs, and career opportunities within the field of nurse  
21 assisting, with the goal of the further stabilization of the  
22 nurse aide workforce and the reduction of nurse aide turnover.

23 Sec. 2. DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES APPROPRIATION. There  
24 is appropriated from the senior living trust fund created in  
25 section 249H.4 to the department of human services for the  
26 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2002,  
27 the following amounts, or so much thereof as is necessary, to  
28 be used for the purposes designated:

29 1. To provide grants to nursing facilities for conversion  
30 to assisted living programs or to provide long-term care  
31 alternatives and to provide grants to long-term care providers  
32 for development of long-term care alternatives:

33 ..... \$ 20,000,000

34 2. To supplement the medical assistance appropriation and  
35 to provide reimbursement for health care services and rent

1 expenses to eligible persons through the home and community-  
2 based services waiver and the state supplementary assistance  
3 program, including program administration and data system  
4 costs associated with implementation, salaries, support,  
5 maintenance, and miscellaneous purposes:

6 ..... \$ 1,733,406

7 3. To implement nursing facility provider reimbursement  
8 based upon a case-mix reimbursement methodology:

9 ..... \$ 20,750,000

10 In order to carry out the purposes of this subsection, the  
11 department shall transfer funds appropriated in this section  
12 to supplement other appropriations to the department of human  
13 services.

14 EXPLANATION

15 This bill makes appropriations from the senior living trust  
16 fund to the department of elder affairs and department of  
17 human services. The appropriation to the department of elder  
18 affairs includes funding for the comprehensive senior living  
19 program and for recruitment and retention strategies for  
20 certified nurse aides. The appropriation to the department of  
21 human services includes funding for grants to provide assisted  
22 living or long-term care alternatives; for supplementation of  
23 the medical assistance appropriation and to provide funding  
24 for reimbursement of health care services and rent expenses  
25 provided to persons through the home and community-based  
26 services waiver and the state supplementary assistance  
27 program; and funding for reimbursement of nursing facility  
28 providers under a case-mix reimbursement methodology.

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