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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to increasing the personal needs allowance for
2 residents of health care facilities.

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

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1 Section 1. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE -- PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE.
2 The department of human services shall adopt rules which
3 provide that the personal needs allowance under the medical
4 assistance program, which is retained by a resident of a
5 health care facility, is fifty dollars per month beginning
6 July 1, 2001, unless a greater amount is allowed under state
7 or federal law.

8 EXPLANATION

9 This bill directs the department of human services to adopt
10 rules to allow residents of health care facilities
11 participating in the medical assistance program to retain a
12 personal needs allowance of \$50 per month beginning July 1,
13 2001, unless a greater amount is allowed to be retained under
14 state or federal law. The current personal needs allowance is
15 \$30 per month.

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