

1 *House* BILL NO *327*  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Palmer*  
 3 *John Thayer Holmes*  
 4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH A PROGRAM  
 5 PROVIDING LIFESAVING TREATMENT FOR CHRONIC RENAL DISEASE,  
 6 REQUIRING STANDARDS FOR DETERMINING ELIGIBILITY TO BE  
 7 ESTABLISHED AND APPROPRIATING TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS  
 8 (\$200,000) FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING  
 9 JUNE 30, 1977, TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND  
 10 REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR SUCH PURPOSE."  
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 13 Section 1. Purpose. It is the intent of the  
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 17 renal diseases, but who are unable to pay for the services  
 18 on a continuing basis.  
 19 Section 2. Establishment of program. The department  
 20 of social and rehabilitation services shall establish a  
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 23 dialysis and other medical procedures and techniques, which  
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 25 such persons. The department shall extend financial

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 3 technical services necessary to care for such diseases,  
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12 Section 3. There is appropriated from the general fund  
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 14 dollars (\$200,000), for the biennium ending June 30, 1977,  
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