

HOUSE BILL NO. 784

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2 INTRODUCED BY VINGER
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR 3
5 CONSECUTIVE DAYS OF NURSING HOME PAYMENTS FOR NURSING HOME
6 PATIENTS WHO ARE HOSPITALIZED; AND TO PROVIDE THAT THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES MAY BY RULE
8 ESTABLISH THE AGGREGATE NUMBER OF DAYS A YEAR THAT PAYMENTS
9 MAY BE MADE FOR A PATIENT."

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11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

12 Section 1. Payment for nursing home care while patient
13 hospitalized. (1) Subject to aggregate yearly totals
14 established under subsection (2), the department shall make
15 payments to skilled nursing facilities and intermediate care
16 facilities for patients who are authorized to leave such a
17 facility for hospitalization for diagnostic or treatment
18 services for a period not to exceed 3 consecutive days.

19 (2) Subject to available appropriations, the
20 department may by rule establish the aggregate number of
21 days a year per patient for which such payment is to be
22 made. The department may categorize patients based upon
23 their physical or mental disease in setting the number of
24 days a year payments are to be made.

25 Section 2. Codification instruction. Section 1 is

1 intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 53,
2 chapter 6, and the provisions of Title 53, chapter 6, apply
3 to section 1.

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