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Present law establishes a case mix reimbursement methodology for nursing homes based on certain enumerated criteria.

Present law provides for a case mix score based on all patients at the facility. Proposed law provides that the case mix score is for Medicaid patients only.

Present law provides for a guaranteed minimum payment for direct care costs at a level to achieve quality outcomes. Proposed law provides for payment for achievement of quality outcomes for Medicaid patients.

Present law provides for a guaranteed minimum payment for administrative and operating costs for certain events and occurrences. Proposed law provides for a payment for administrative and operating costs if the nursing home demonstrates present law and the addition of a home- and community-based service transition counselor to assist nursing home residents who wish to receive services in the community complete all applications necessary to achieve deinstitutionalization.

Present law proves for a guaranteed minimum payment of 9.25% for rental system for payment of property costs to include the capital for renovation, improvement, and replacement of facilities. Proposed law reduces the minimum payment to the current United States Treasury Bond rate plus a risk factor of 2.5%.

Proposed law provides that funds saved by implementation of the case mix reimbursement methodology for nursing homes established in proposed law shall be utilized by the department in the amount of \$12.5 million deposited into the Community and Family Support System Fund to increase waiver slots and in the amount of \$13.5 million to increase reimbursement rates to home- and community-based service providers.

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