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DIGEST

Long (SB 577)

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the Department of Health and Hospitals shall seek approval, no later than September 1, 2014, from the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services of a Medicaid state plan amendment designed to reimburse publicly owned nursing homes up to the upper payment limit.

<u>Proposed law</u> authorizes the department to develop and maintain a Medicaid upper payment limit financing methodology for the publically owned nursing homes provided for in <u>proposed law</u>. Further provides that disbursements of money generated by the use of an upper payment limit methodology shall be made only in accordance with an approved state plan amendment and provides that the source of the nonfederal match for these payments shall be intergovernmental transfer of funds from such publically owned nursing homes.

Effective upon signature of the governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 40:1300.333)