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SENATE BILL No. 151

By Committee on Government Efficiency

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AN ACT concerning public assistance; relating to medical assistance; requiring the secretary of health and environment to request a waiver from the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services to end participation in certain expenditure authorities under the KanCare demonstration.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. (a) On July 1, 2025, the secretary of health and environment shall request a waiver from the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services to end participation in the following expenditure authorities under the KanCare demonstration, (No. 11-W-00283/7), approved January 1, 2024, pursuant to section 1115(a) of the federal social security act:

(1) Expenditures for additional services for individuals with behavioral health needs;

(2) residential and inpatient treatment for individuals with substance use disorder;

(3) continuous eligibility period for parents and other caretaker relatives; and

(4) continuous coverage for individuals aging out of the children's health insurance program (CHIP).

(b) If the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services grants the waiver requested under subsection (a), the secretary of health and environment shall immediately end participation in such expenditures authorities in accordance with such waiver. If no waiver under subsection (a) is granted by the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services, the secretary shall request such a waiver annually until such waiver is granted.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.