Substitute for HOUSE BILL No. 2463

By Committee on Health and Human Services

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AN ACT concerning medical assistance; prohibiting changes to the medical assistance program for a certain time; authorizing the legislative coordinating council to approve such changes when the legislature is not in session; requiring the extension of the current medical assistance program and related contracts.

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

Section 1. (a) Prior to January 1, 2025, no state agency shall make any substantive or material change to the medical assistance program, as existing on the effective date of this act, administered under the authority of K.S.A. 39-709(e), and amendments thereto, and title XIX of the social security act.

- (b) The medical assistance program, as existing on the effective date of this act, shall be extended through December 31, 2024.
- (c) The secretary of health and environment shall negotiate and take actions necessary to extend contracts with managed care organizations, as existing on the effective date of this act, for the administration and provision of benefits under the medical assistance program through December 31, 2024.
- (d) The secretary of health and environment shall submit to the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services any approval request necessary to implement this section.
- (e) Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent any state agency from taking any action that is required by an act or appropriation act of the legislature, federal law or the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services.
- (f) Prior to January 1, 2025, and when the legislature is not in session, a state agency may submit to the legislative coordinating council a request to make a substantive or material change to the medical assistance program. The legislative coordinating council may approve such a change to the medical assistance program that is not otherwise prohibited by law.
- Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Kansas register.