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AN ACT

To repeal sections 208.909 and 660.023, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to the requirement of a telephone tracking system for certain home and community-based providers.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Sections 208.909 and 660.023, RSMo, are repealed and two new

- 2 sections enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 208.909 and 660.023, to
- 3 read as follows:
 - 208.909. 1. Consumers receiving personal care assistance services shall
- 2 be responsible for:
- 3 (1) Supervising their personal care attendant;
 - (2) Verifying wages to be paid to the personal care attendant;
- 5 (3) Preparing and submitting time sheets, signed by both the consumer
- 6 and personal care attendant, to the vendor on a biweekly basis;
- 7 (4) Promptly notifying the department within ten days of any changes in
- 8 circumstances affecting the personal care assistance services plan or in the
- 9 consumer's place of residence;
- 10 (5) Reporting any problems resulting from the quality of services rendered
- 11 by the personal care attendant to the vendor. If the consumer is unable to resolve
- 12 any problems resulting from the quality of service rendered by the personal care
- 13 attendant with the vendor, the consumer shall report the situation to the
- 14 department; and
- 15 (6) Providing the vendor with all necessary information to complete
- 16 required paperwork for establishing the employer identification number.
- 2. Participating vendors shall be responsible for:
- 18 (1) Collecting time sheets or reviewing reports of delivered services and

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19 certifying the accuracy thereof;

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- 20 (2) The Medicaid reimbursement process, including the filing of claims 21 and reporting data to the department as required by rule;
- 22 (3) Transmitting the individual payment directly to the personal care 23 attendant on behalf of the consumer;
- 24 (4) Monitoring the performance of the personal care assistance services 25 plan.
- 3. No state or federal financial assistance shall be authorized or expended to pay for services provided to a consumer under sections 208.900 to 208.927, if the primary benefit of the services is to the household unit, or is a household task that the members of the consumer's household may reasonably be expected to share or do for one another when they live in the same household, unless such service is above and beyond typical activities household members may reasonably provide for another household member without a disability.
 - 4. No state or federal financial assistance shall be authorized or expended to pay for personal care assistance services provided by a personal care attendant who is listed on any of the background check lists in the family care safety registry under sections 210.900 to 210.937, unless a good cause waiver is first obtained from the department in accordance with section 660.317.
 - 5. (1) All vendors, except for vendors who provide administrative services for five or less personal care attendants, shall, by July 1, 2015, have, maintain, and use a telephone tracking system for the purpose of reporting and verifying the delivery of consumer-directed services as authorized by the department of health and senior services or its designee. Use of such a system prior to July 1, 2015, shall be voluntary. The telephone tracking system shall be used to process payroll for employees and for submitting claims for reimbursement to the MO HealthNet division. At a minimum, the telephone tracking system shall:
 - (a) Record the exact date services are delivered;
- 48 (b) Record the exact time the services begin and exact time the services 49 end;
 - (c) Verify the telephone number from which the services are registered;
- 51 (d) Verify that the number from which the call is placed is a telephone 52 number unique to the client;
- 53 (e) Require a personal identification number unique to each personal care 54 attendant;

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- (f) Be capable of producing reports of services delivered, tasks performed, client identity, beginning and ending times of service and date of service in summary fashion that constitute adequate documentation of service; and
- (g) Be capable of producing reimbursement requests for consumer approval that assures accuracy and compliance with program expectations for both the consumer and vendor.
- (2) The department of health and senior services, in collaboration with other appropriate agencies, including centers for independent living, shall establish telephone tracking system pilot projects, implemented in two regions of the state, with one in an urban area and one in a rural area. Each pilot project shall meet the requirements of this section and section 208.918. The department of health and senior services shall, by December 31, 2013, submit a report to the governor and general assembly detailing the outcomes of these pilot projects. The report shall take into consideration the impact of a telephone tracking system on the quality of the services delivered to the consumer and the principles of self-directed care.
- (3) As new technology becomes available, the department may allow use of a more advanced tracking system, provided that such system is at least as capable of meeting the requirements of this subsection.
- (4) The department of health and senior services shall promulgate by rule the minimum necessary criteria of the telephone tracking system. Any rule or portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2010, shall be invalid and void.
- 6. In the event that a consensus between centers for independent living and representatives from the executive branch cannot be reached, the telephony report issued to the general assembly and governor shall include a minority report which shall detail those elements of substantial dissent from the main report.
- 7. No interested party, including a center for independent living, shall be required to contract with any particular vendor or provider of telephony services

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telephone tracking system shall:

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91 nor bear the full cost of the pilot program.

660.023. 1. All in-home services provider agencies, except for in-home provider agencies who employ five or less in-home providers, shall, by July 1, 2015, have, maintain, and use a telephone tracking system for the purpose of reporting and verifying the delivery of home- and community-based services as authorized by the department of health and senior services or its designee. Use of such system prior to July 1, 2015, shall be voluntary. At a minimum, the

- (1) Record the exact date services are delivered;
- 9 (2) Record the exact time the services begin and exact time the services 10 end;
- 11 (3) Verify the telephone number from which the services were registered;
- 12 (4) Verify that the number from which the call is placed is a telephone 13 number unique to the client;
- 14 (5) Require a personal identification number unique to each personal care 15 attendant; and
- 16 (6) Be capable of producing reports of services delivered, tasks performed, 17 client identity, beginning and ending times of service and date of service in 18 summary fashion that constitute adequate documentation of service.
- 2. The telephone tracking system shall be used to process payroll for employees and for submitting claims for reimbursement to the MO HealthNet division.
- 22 3. The department of health and senior services shall promulgate by rule 23 the minimum necessary criteria of the telephone tracking system. Any rule or 24portion of a rule, as that term is defined in section 536.010, that is created under the authority delegated in this section shall become effective only if it complies 25with and is subject to all of the provisions of chapter 536 and, if applicable, 26 section 536.028. This section and chapter 536 are nonseverable and if any of the 27powers vested with the general assembly pursuant to chapter 536 to review, to 2829 delay the effective date, or to disapprove and annul a rule are subsequently held 30 unconstitutional, then the grant of rulemaking authority and any rule proposed or adopted after August 28, 2010, shall be invalid and void. 31
 - 4. As new technology becomes available, the department may allow use of a more advanced tracking system, provided that such system is at least as capable of meeting the requirements listed in subsection 1 of this section.
 - 5. The department of health and senior services, in collaboration with

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36 other appropriate agencies, including in-home services providers, shall establish telephone tracking system pilot projects, implemented in two regions of the state, 37 with one in an urban area and one in a rural area. Each pilot project shall meet 38 the requirements of this section. The department of health and senior services 39 40 shall, by December 31, 2013, submit a report to the governor and general assembly detailing the outcomes of these pilot projects. The report shall take into 41 42 consideration the impact of a telephone tracking system on the quality of the services delivered to the consumer and the principles of self-directed care. 43

- 6. In the event that a consensus between in-home service providers and representatives from the executive branch cannot be reached, the telephony report issued to the general assembly and governor shall include a minority report which will detail those elements of substantial dissent from the main report.
- 7. No interested party, including in-home service providers, shall be required to contract with any particular vendor or provider of telephony services nor bear the full cost of the pilot program.

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