

HOUSE BILL No. 2144

AN ACT concerning certain nursing facilities; relating to reimbursement rates; amending K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5958 and repealing the existing section.

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

Section 1. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5958 is hereby amended to read as follows: 75-5958. Subject to the provisions of appropriations acts, the secretary of aging shall increase nursing facility reimbursement rates. ~~For fiscal year 2007,~~ The secretary of aging shall implement a base-year model of reimbursement for nursing facilities. ~~For fiscal year 2007, the~~ *For fiscal year 2008, the information from cost reports for calendar years 2003, 2004 and 2005 shall be averaged together to be used to calculate the base year. For fiscal year 2009 and each fiscal year thereafter, the information from the 2003, 2004, and 2005 cost reports for the three most recent calendar years preceding the beginning of the fiscal year shall be averaged together to be used to calculate the base year. The base year utilized for cost information shall be reestablished at least once every seven years.* The secretary of aging shall not apply the 85% rule regarding number of beds filled for nursing facilities with 60 licensed beds or less to determine nursing facility reimbursement rates.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2006 Supp. 75-5958 is hereby repealed.

Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the HOUSE, and passed that body

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

Passed the SENATE _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

APPROVED _____

Governor.