

**SENATE BILL No. 656**

By Committee on Ways and Means

2-26

10 AN ACT concerning long-term care services; relating to home and com-  
11 munity based services.

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

14 Section 1. (a) In the state of Kansas, long-term care services, includ-  
15 ing home and community based services, shall be provided through a  
16 comprehensive and coordinated system throughout the state. ~~Utilization~~  
17 ~~of services to all long-term care consumers shall be through a single point~~  
18 ~~of entry.~~

19 (b) The system shall:

20 (1) Emphasize a delivery concept of self-direction, individual choice,  
21 home and community settings and privacy;

22 (2) ensure transparency, accountability, safety and high quality  
23 services;

24 (3) increase expedited eligibility determination;

25 (4) provide timely services;

26 (5) utilize informal services; and

27 (6) ensure the moneys follow the person into the community.

28 (c) All persons receiving services pursuant to this section shall be  
29 ~~placed in~~ **offered** the appropriate services which are determined to be **in**  
30 **aggregate** the most economical available with regard to state general  
31 fund expenditures. For those persons moving from a nursing facility to  
32 the home and community-based services, the nursing facility reimburse-  
33 ment shall follow the person into the community.

34 (d) The department on aging, the department of social and rehabil-  
35 itation services, and the Kansas health policy authority shall design and  
36 implement the system, in consultation with stakeholders and advocates  
37 related to long-term care services.

38 (e) The department on aging, ~~in consultation with~~ **and** the depart-  
39 ment of social and rehabilitation services ~~and~~, **in consultation with** the  
40 Kansas health policy authority, shall submit an annual report on the long-  
41 term care system to the governor and the legislature annually, during the  
42 first week of the regular session.

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