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MEMORANDUM

To:

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From:

Scott Abbott, Assistant Revisor of Statutes

Date:

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

Re:

Bill brief on Senate Bill No. 300

SB 300 would prohibit the department of health and environment (KDHE), the Kansas department for aging and disability services (KDADS) and the department of administration (DofA) from taking actions to substantially change the state administration of medicaid services without express prior authorization by the legislature.

Subsection (a) directs KDHE and KDADS to terminate any request to the United States centers for medicare and medicaid studies to administer state medicaid services in any manner that is substantially different than the manner in which state medicaid services are provided on January 1, 2017, including, but not limited to, imposing any new eligibility requirements or limitations. The bill would require KDHE and KDADS to get express legislative approval to submit any such request.

Subsection (b) prohibits KDHE, KDADS and DofA from taking any action to enter into any new contract for state medicaid services using a capitated managed care delivery system.

Subsection (c) directs KDHE, KDADS and DofA to negotiate for the renewal of current contracts for state medicaid services using a capitated managed care delivery system that are in effect on January 1, 2017. Such contracts shall be for a term of one year commencing on the termination date of those contracts, shall be substantially the same as those contracts and shall not impose any new eligibility requirements or limitations.

Subsection (d) directs KDHE and KDADS to submit to the United States centers for medicare and medicaid services a request to renew waivers in effect on January 1, 2017, to administer state medicaid services using a capitated managed care delivery system.

The bill would take effect upon publication in the Kansas register.