

Motion to continue appropriation for direct care worker wages for Senior and Long Term Care Division Medicaid funded services.

I move to:

- 1) Increase the Senior and Long Term Care Division appropriation to continue the direct care worker wage increase funded from one-time funds in the 2013 biennium (as shown below);
- 2) Restrict the appropriation to fund direct care worker wages only; and
- 3) Add language governing the use of the appropriation (as shown below).

Funding	FY 2014	FY 2015
General Fund	\$1,684,819	\$1,687,316
Federal Medicaid Match	<u>3,310,196</u>	<u>3,307,699</u>
Total	\$4,995,015	\$4,995,015

Language:

“Direct Care Provider Rate Increase may be used only to raise provider rates for Medicaid services to allow for continuation of wage increases or lump-sum payments to workers who provide direct care and ancillary services.”

Explanation:

This motion continues the amount appropriated for direct care worker wages in FY 2015 and continues the same language that restricted the use of the appropriation for direct care worker wages.

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