

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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3 SENATE BILL 412

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to poor persons; directing the
8 Department of Human Services to establish and maintain
9 certain subsidy program; specifying minimum
10 eligibility requirements for certain program;
11 directing the Commission on Human Services to
12 promulgate certain rules; providing for codification;
13 and providing an effective date.

14 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

15 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in
16 the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 198.18 of Title 56, unless there is
17 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

18 A. The Department of Human Services shall establish and maintain
19 an assisted living subsidy program. The purpose of the program shall
20 be to provide a monthly sliding-scale subsidy to eligible low-income
21 persons in need of care in an assisted living facility.

22 B. At a minimum, the assisted living subsidy program shall be
23 available for persons who:

24 1. Are sixty-two (62) years of age or older, or chronically
disabled;

- 1 2. Have a medical, physical, cognitive, or mental condition that
2 limits their ability to care for themselves;
- 3 3. Need daily help with one or more activities, such as dressing,
4 bathing, or eating;
- 5 4. Can live independently with support services;
- 6 5. Do not need full-time skilled nursing care;
- 7 6. Are approved for assisted living by their physician;
- 8 7. Meet income and asset eligibility guidelines; and
- 9 8. Do not qualify for nursing facility benefits under the state
10 Medicaid program.

11 C. The Commission for Human Services shall promulgate rules as
12 necessary to implement the provisions of this section, including, but
13 not limited to, eligibility requirements and cost-sharing provisions.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

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