

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 1837

By: Reinhardt

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to Medicaid home- and community-based services; requiring the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to seek certain exemption from specified federal regulation; defining term; requiring the Authority to devise certain protections; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1018.1 of Title 56, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. The Oklahoma Health Care Authority shall submit a request to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services for an exemption from the provisions of 42 C.F.R., Section 441.301(c)(1)(vi) to allow providers of Medicaid home- and community-based services in rural counties of this state to provide case management and develop the required person-centered plan. As used in this subsection, "rural counties" means counties with a population of not more than sixty thousand (60,000), according to the most recent Federal Decennial Census.

1 B. For providers exempted under subsection A of this section,
2 the Authority shall devise conflict of interest protections in
3 accordance with 42 C.F.R., Section 441.301(c)(1)(vi), including
4 separation of entity and provider functions within provider
5 entities.

6 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.

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