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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 149th GENERAL ASSEMBLY

## HOUSE BILL NO. 200

AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 29 OF THE DELAWARE CODE RELATING TO MEDICAID AND HOME HEALTH CARE.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE:

- 1 Section 1. Amend Section 7931, Title 29 of the Delaware Code by making deletions as shown by strike through
- 2 and insertions as shown by underline as follows and redesignating accordingly:
- 3 § 7931. Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance.
- 4 (d) All hourly home health care nursing services paid for by Medicaid-contracted organizations will be reimbursed
- 5 at a rate equal to or more than the rate set by the Division of Medicaid & Medical Assistance for equivalent services.

## **SYNOPSIS**

This bill sets a minimum reimbursement rate for home health care nursing services paid for by Medicaid-contracted organizations. The rate shall be at least equal to the rate set by the Division of Medicaid for equivalent services. Home care nurses and aides give Delawareans with disabilities the option to remain at home with their families and prevents unnecessary use of higher-cost hospitals, nursing homes and rehabilitation facilities.

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