

**Subject** Children's residential crisis stabilization services

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## Summary

This bill establishes medical assistance coverage for residential mental health crisis stabilization for children aged 20 or younger, effective January 1, 2026 or upon federal approval, whichever is later. The bill lists the services that must be included in the covered crisis stabilization, and requires the commissioner of human services to ensure that the services meet listed requirements.

The bill also directs the commissioner of human services to submit a report to the legislature by January 6, 2025 that proposes eligibility criteria, service, provider, and licensing requirements, reimbursement rates, and draft legislation related to the children's residential crisis stabilization medical assistance benefit.