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### Overview

This bill establishes a supplemental personal needs allowance for elderly waiver (EW) and alternative care recipients.

The elderly waiver provides home and community-based services not normally covered under MA to MA enrollees who are at risk of nursing facility placement. In addition, EW recipients are eligible for all standard MA covered services.

The alternative care program provides home and community-based services to individuals who are not MA enrollees, but who are at-risk of nursing facility placement.

### Section

- 1 Posteligibility treatment of income and resources for elderly waiver.** Amends § 256B.0915, subd. 1d. Modifies the elderly waiver posteligibility treatment of income and resourced for the elderly waiver by adding a supplemental personal needs allowance to a recipient's maintenance needs.
- 2 Supplemental personal needs allowance.** Amends § 256B.35, by adding subd. 1a. Establishes a supplemental personal needs allowance of \$50 per month for clothing and personal needs for elderly waiver and alternative care recipients who also receive the personal needs allowance.

**Section**

- 3**      **MSA equivalent rate.** Amends § 256I.03, subd. 5. Makes a technical change to the definition of MSA equivalent rate so that the new supplemental personal needs allowance does not affect this rate.