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AN ACT to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §9-2-9a, relating generally to mental health; creating Mental Health Stabilization Act of 2009; making legislative findings; increasing reimbursement rates in mental health service codes; requiring periodic reports to the Legislature; and providing an implementation date and a termination date.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, be amended by adding thereto a new section, designated §9-2-9a, to read as follows:

ARTICLE 2. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES, AND OFFICE OF COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN SERVICES; POWERS, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES GENERALLY. Enr. Com. Sub. for S. B. No. 672] 2

§9-2-9a. Mental Health Stabilization Act of 2009.

(a) Legislative findings. — The Legislature hereby finds
 and declares:

3 (1) The West Virginia community mental health system
4 is in a state of crisis. There are not sufficient community
5 resources to meet the needs of the state's population.

6 (2) It is the public policy of West Virginia that the state 7 should have a mental health system that provides a 8 continuum of care for people with mental health needs. 9 This continuum may include preventive and primary 10 mental health services, peer supports, community sup-11 ports, group homes, case management, crisis intervention 12 services and an appropriate number of hospital beds. 13 There is also recognition that the state has limited finan-14 cial resources.

15 (3) The state has been the subject of various court 16 orders as result of the manner in which it dealt with 17 people with mental health needs and the Legislature 18 desires to be proactive and resolve issues surrounding 19 mental illness without the intervention of the courts.

(4) The current rate of involuntary mental health
commitments and the incarceration of people with mental
health needs are at a level that is utilizing significant state
resources. The resources could be used in the provision of
community mental health services in a way that improves
clinical outcomes and more efficiently utilizes the state's
limited resources. The result should be a reduction in the
level of involuntary commitments and incarceration for
those people with mental health needs.

(b) To the maximum full extent of additional appropriations by the Legislature to increase reimbursement rates
for behavioral health clinic and rehabilitation services as
provided for in this act in the fiscal year that begins July
1, 2009, and in any fiscal year thereafter, and of federal

34 participation dollars attributable thereto and subject to 35 provisions of state and federal laws and regulations, the 36 secretary, in addition to all other powers, duties and 37 responsibilities granted and assigned to that office in this 38 chapter and elsewhere by law, shall increase proportion-39 ally across the board the reimbursement rates for behav-40 ioral health clinic and rehabilitation services in the 41 following service codes in order to help stabilize the 42 mental health system which is in crisis:

43	Service Description	Service Code
44	Mental Health Assessment	
45	by Nonphysician	H0031
46	Mental Health Service	
47	Plan Development	T1017
48	Mental Health Service	
49	Plan Development	H0032
50	Mental Health Service Plan	
51	Development (Home base)	H0032
52	Mental Health Service Plan	
53	Development by Psychologist	H0032 AH
54	Physician Coordinated Care	
55	Oversight Services	G9008
56	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
57	Professional, Individual	H0004 H0
58	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
59	Professional, Individual	
60	(Home Based)	H0004 H0
61	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
62	Professional, Group	H0004 H0HQ
63	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
64	Supportive, Individual	H0004
65	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
66	Supportive,Individual (Home Based)	H0004
67	Behavioral Health Counseling,	
68	Supportive, Group	H0004 HQ
69	Skills Training and Development	
70	1:1 by Paraprofessional	H2014 U4

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71	Skills Training and Development 1:1 by	
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74	1:2-4 by Paraprofessional	H2014 U1
75	Skills Training and Development	
76	1:1 by Paraprofessional	H2014 HN U4
77	Skills Training and Development 1:1 by	
78	Professional (Home Based)	H2014 HN U4
79	Skills Training and Development	
80	1:2-4 by Professional	H2014 HN U1
81	Skills Training and Development	
82	1:2-4 by Professional (Home Based)	H2014 HN U1
83	Therapeutic Behavioral Health	
84	Services - Development	H2019 HO
85	Therapeutic Behavioral Services -	
86	Development (Home Based)	H2019 HO
87	Therapeutic Behavioral Services -	
88	Implementation	H2019
89	Therapeutic Behavioral Services -	
90	Implementation (Home Based)	H2019
91	Crisis Intervention	H2011
92	Crisis Intervention (Home Based)	H2011
93	Comprehensive Community Support	
94	Services Tx Ratio 1:12	H2015 U1
95	Comprehensive Community Support	
96	Services Tx Ratio 1:8	H2015 U2
97	Comprehensive Community Support	
98	Services (structured program 1:1)	H2014 U1
99	Crisis Stabilization - Community	
100	Psychiatric Supportive Treatment	H0036
101	ACT (daily rate)	H0040
102	Daily Treatment	H2012
103	Comprehensive Medication	
104	Services Mental Health	H2010

105 (c) This section does not preclude any other rate 106 increase authorized by law. (d) The secretary shall provide a written report monthly
to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance
created by section one, article three, chapter four of this
code and the Legislative Oversight Commission on Health
and Human Resources Accountability created by section
four, article twenty-nine-e, chapter sixteen of this code on
the development and implementation of the provisions of
this section until they have been fully implemented.

(e) The provisions of this section shall be implemented
by July 1, 2009, or ninety days after the budget is enacted
for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, whichever
occurs last. This section shall expire and be of no further
effect beginning July 1, 2013.

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The Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills hereby certifies that the foregoing bill is correctly enrolled.

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