

Subject Medical Assistance payment rates for nonemergency medical transportation services

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Summary

The Medical Assistance (MA) program covers nonemergency medical transportation (NEMT) services. This bill amends section 256B.0625, subdivision 17, to increase the MA payment rates for three types of NEMT services, as shown in the table below. The increases would go into effect January 1, 2026, or upon federal approval of the changes, whichever is later.

NEMT Service	Current MA Payment Rate	Proposed MA Payment Rate under H.F. 36
Unassisted transport provided by an NEMT provider	Base rate: \$12.10 Per mile: \$1.43	Base rate: \$17.00 Per mile: \$2.38
Assisted transport	Base rate: \$14.30 Per mile: \$1.43	Base rate: \$22.00 Per mile: \$2.38
Lift-equipped/ramp transport	Base rate: \$19.80 Per mile: \$1.70	Base rate: \$31.00 Per mile: \$2.65