



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6909

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**AN ACT CONCERNING THE LONG-TERM CARE PLANNING
COMMITTEE.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 17b-337 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

3 (a) There shall be established a Long-Term Care Planning
4 Committee for the purpose of exchanging information on long-term
5 care issues, coordinating policy development and establishing a long-
6 term care plan for [elderly] all persons in need of long-term care. Such
7 plan shall integrate the three components of a long-term care system
8 including home and community-based services, supportive housing
9 arrangements and nursing facilities. Such plan shall include: (1) A
10 vision and mission statement for a long-term care system; (2) the
11 current number of [elderly] persons receiving services; (3)
12 demographic data concerning elderly persons by service type; (4) the
13 current aggregate cost of such system of services; (5) forecasts of future
14 demand for services; (6) the type of services available and the amount
15 of funds necessary to meet the demand; (7) projected costs for
16 programs associated with such system; (8) strategies to promote the
17 partnership for long-term care program; (9) resources necessary to
18 accomplish goals for the future; (10) funding sources available; and
19 (11) the number and types of providers needed to deliver services. The
20 plan shall address how changes in one component of such long-term

21 care system impact other components of such system.

22 (b) The Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall, within available
23 appropriations, study issues relative to long-term care including, but
24 not limited to, the case-mix system of Medicaid reimbursement,
25 community-based service options, access to long-term care and
26 geriatric psychiatric services.

27 (c) The Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall consist of: (1)
28 The chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing and select
29 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
30 relating to human services, public health, elderly services and
31 long-term care; (2) the Commissioner of Social Services, or the
32 commissioner's designee; (3) one member of the Office of Policy and
33 Management appointed by the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
34 Management; (4) one member from the Department of Social Services
35 appointed by the Commissioner of Social Services; (5) one member
36 from the Department of Public Health appointed by the Commissioner
37 of Public Health; (6) one member from the Department of Economic
38 and Community Development appointed by the Commissioner of
39 Economic and Community Development; (7) one member from the
40 Office of Health Care Access appointed by the Commissioner of
41 Health Care Access; (8) one member from the Department of Mental
42 Retardation appointed by the Commissioner of Mental Retardation;
43 (9) one member from the Department of Mental Health and Addiction
44 Services appointed by the Commissioner of Mental Health and
45 Addiction Services; [and] (10) one member from the Department of
46 Transportation appointed by the Commissioner of Transportation; (11)
47 one member from the Department of Children and Families appointed
48 by the Commissioner of Children and Families; and (12) the executive
49 director of the Office of Protection and Advocacy for Persons with
50 Disabilities or the executive director's designee. The committee shall
51 convene no later than ninety days after June 4, 1998. Any vacancy shall
52 be filled by the appointing authority. The chairperson shall be elected
53 from among the members of the committee. The committee shall seek
54 the advice and participation of any person, organization or state or

55 federal agency it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this
56 section.

57 (d) Not later than January 1, 1999, and [biennially] every three years
58 thereafter, the Long-Term Care Planning Committee shall submit a
59 long-term care plan pursuant to subsection (a) of this section to the
60 joint standing and select committees of the General Assembly having
61 cognizance of matters relating to human services, public health, elderly
62 services and long-term care, in accordance with the provisions of
63 section 11-4a, and such plan shall serve as a guide for the actions of
64 state agencies in developing and modifying programs that serve
65 persons in need of long-term care.

66 (e) Any agency or department of the state, when developing or
67 modifying any program that assists persons with long-term care needs,
68 shall: (1) Develop or modify such program in a manner that facilitates
69 the long-term care of such persons by family members or other
70 informal caregivers within such person's home or the least restrictive
71 setting appropriate for such person; and (2) promote consumer-
72 directed care.

73 Sec. 2. The sum of ____ dollars is appropriated, from the General
74 Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, to the Office of Policy
75 and Management in order to continue the work of the Long-Term Care
76 Planning Committee that has on-going responsibilities for
77 development, monitoring and follow-up of long-term care issues.

78 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

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