



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 683

LCO No. 1207

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

SEN. LOONEY, 11th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT RATES TO HOSPITALS SERVING
A DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE OF INDIGENT PATIENTS.**

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

- 1 That section 17b-239 of the general statutes be amended to require
- 2 the Commissioner of Social Services to revise the formula used to
- 3 calculate disproportionate share payments to hospitals and that
- 4 amount of uncompensated care documented by a hospital shall be
- 5 designated as the primary factor in setting the disproportionate share
- 6 payment, with no weight given to hospital bed funds or debt still
- 7 subject to collection.

Statement of Purpose:

To make higher disproportionate share payments available to hospitals that provide services to patients without requiring compensation for such patient services.