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"AN ACT CONCERNING THE PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS FOR RESIDENTS OF NURSING HOMES AND CHRONIC DISEASE HOSPITALS."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Office of the Long-
4 Term Care Ombudsman shall develop and implement a pilot program,
5 within available appropriations, to provide assistance and education to
6 residents of managed residential communities, as defined in section
7 19-13-D105 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, who
8 receive assisted living services from an assisted living services agency
9 licensed by the Department of Public Health in accordance with
10 chapter 368v of the general statutes. The assistance and education
11 provided under such pilot program shall include, but not be limited to:
12 (1) Assistance and education for residents who are temporarily
13 discharged to a hospital or long-term care facility and return to a
14 managed residential community; (2) assistance and education for

15 residents with issues relating to an admissions contract for a managed
16 residential community; and (3) assistance and education for residents
17 to assure adequate and appropriate services are being provided
18 including, but not limited to, adequate and appropriate services for
19 individuals with cognitive impairments.

20 (b) The Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman shall develop
21 and implement the pilot program in cooperation with managed
22 residential communities. Priority of assistance and education shall be
23 given to residents of managed residential communities who participate
24 in subsidized assisted living programs authorized under sections 8-
25 206e, 17b-347e, 17b-365, 17b-366 and 19a-6c of the general statutes. To
26 the extent allowed by available appropriations, the Long-Term Care
27 Ombudsman shall also provide assistance and education under the
28 pilot program to residents in managed residential communities who
29 do not participate in said subsidized assisted living programs.

30 (c) Not later than June 30, 2005, the Long-Term Care Ombudsman
31 shall submit a report on the pilot program to the Commissioners of
32 Social Services and Public Health, to the joint standing committees of
33 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human
34 services, public health and appropriations, and to the select committee
35 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
36 aging. The report shall be submitted in accordance with section 11-4a
37 of the general statutes."