



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 581

LCO No. 2761

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Referred to Committee on Insurance and Real Estate

Introduced by:
(INS)

**AN ACT REQUIRING A STUDY OF THE FEASIBILITY OF
ESTABLISHING A TOLL-FREE TELEPHONE LINE FOR HEALTH
INSURANCE MATTERS.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Insurance Commissioner,
2 the Commissioner of Social Services and the Healthcare Advocate shall
3 jointly study the feasibility of establishing a toll-free telephone number
4 for the purpose of assisting residents of this state in obtaining advice
5 and information on health benefits and other matters pertaining to
6 health insurance.

7 (b) Not later than January 1, 2007, said commissioners and the
8 Healthcare Advocate shall submit a report on their findings and
9 recommendations to the joint standing committee of the General
10 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance in
11 accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To assist Connecticut residents in obtaining advice and information on all health insurance matters.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]