



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6040

LCO No. 1120

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
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**AN ACT CONCERNING OUTREACH EFFORTS WITH RESPECT TO
THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE HUSKY AND MEDICAID PROGRAMS.**

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

1 That: (1) Section 17b-297 of the general statutes be amended to
2 require the Commissioner of Social Services to enhance outreach
3 efforts at medical provider sites, community centers and targeted
4 schools to encourage and facilitate enrollment of eligible persons in the
5 Medicaid program and HUSKY Plans, Part A and Part B; and (2) that
6 section 19a-613 of the general statutes be amended to require the
7 Commissioner of the Office of Health Care Access to promulgate
8 regulations that shall require hospitals to make reasonable attempts to
9 enroll eligible individuals in the Medicaid program prior to writing off
10 the medical debts of such individuals as uncompensated care and
11 seeking payment for such costs from the state's uncompensated care
12 programs.

Statement of Purpose:

To reduce overall state health care expenditures by ensuring that individuals who are eligible for benefits under the HUSKY or Medicaid program are in fact enrolled in the program.