



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 7233**

LCO No. 4563

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:  
(HS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING HEALTH CARE ACCESS FOR CHILDREN  
WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-261g of the general statutes is repealed and  
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

3 The Commissioner of Social Services shall provide reimbursement  
4 under the [HUSKY Plan, Part A] Medicaid program to children for  
5 services provided by a home health care agency, as defined in section  
6 19a-490, in the child's home or a substantially equivalent environment.  
7 For purposes of such reimbursement, a substantially equivalent  
8 environment may include, but not be limited to, facilities that provide  
9 child day care services, as defined in subsection (a) of section 19a-77,  
10 and after school programs, as defined in section 10-16x.

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

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| Section 1 | <i>July 1, 2007</i> | 17b-261g |
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***Statement of Purpose:***

To ensure that all children who are eligible for the Medicaid program are able to access services provided by a home health agency in the child's home or a substantially equivalent environment.

*[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.]*