



General Assembly

January Session, 2007

Raised Bill No. 7325

LCO No. 5040

05040_____HS_

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:
(HS)

**AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID FUNDED TRANSPORTATION OF
MINORS FOR EMERGENCY AND NONEMERGENCY SERVICES.**

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-276 of the general statutes is amended by
2 adding subsection (c) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2007*):

3 (NEW) (c) Except as provided in this subsection, the Commissioner
4 of Social Services shall not make payment under the Medicaid
5 program to transport a parent, relative, guardian or foster parent of an
6 eligible Medicaid recipient to a medical provider, unless such person's
7 presence is required at and during the medical service that is being
8 provided to the eligible recipient. In cases involving transportation of
9 persons under the age of eighteen who are Medicaid recipients,
10 payment shall be provided to transport a parent, relative, guardian or
11 foster parent and any child of such person, who is lawfully under such
12 person's care, that is: (1) Under the age of fourteen that may reside in
13 such person's home, or (2) under the age of eighteen who is
14 developmentally disabled and resides in such person's home. The
15 commissioner, pursuant to section 17b-10, shall implement policies
16 and procedures to administer the provisions of this subsection while in

17 the process of adopting such policies and procedures as regulation,
18 provided the commissioner prints notice of the intent to adopt the
19 regulation in the Connecticut Law Journal not later than twenty days
20 after the date of implementation. Such policy shall be valid until the
21 time final regulations are adopted.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2007</i>	17b-276

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Social Services to include payment for minor children who cannot be left at home unsupervised when such minor's parent, relative, guardian or foster parent needs to accompany another child in the family who is being transported to a necessary medical appointment.

[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.]