



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5297

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AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATUS OF THE MONEY FOLLOWS THE PERSON PROJECT.

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-369 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

3 (a) The Commissioner of Social Services, pursuant to Section 6071 of
4 the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, shall submit an application to the
5 Secretary of Health and Human Services to establish a Money Follows
6 the Person demonstration project. Such project shall serve not more
7 than five thousand persons and shall be designed to achieve the
8 objectives set forth in Section 6071(a) of the Deficit Reduction Act of
9 2005. Services available under the demonstration project shall include,
10 but not be limited to, personal care assistance services. The
11 commissioner may apply for a Medicaid research and demonstration
12 waiver under Section 1115 of the Social Security Act, if such waiver is
13 necessary to implement the demonstration project. The commissioner
14 may, if necessary, modify any existing Medicaid home or community-
15 based waiver if such modification is required to implement the
16 demonstration project.

17 (b) (1) The Commissioner of Social Services shall submit, in
18 accordance with this subdivision, a copy of any report on the Money
19 Follows the Person demonstration project that the commissioner is

20 required to submit to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and
21 that pertains to (A) the status of the implementation of the Money
22 Follows the Person demonstration project, (B) the anticipated date that
23 the first eligible person or persons will be transitioned into the
24 community, or (C) information concerning when and how the
25 Department of Social Services will transition additional eligible
26 persons into the community. The commissioner shall submit such copy
27 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
28 cognizance of matters relating to human services and to the select
29 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
30 relating to aging, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a.
31 Copies of reports prepared prior to October 1, 2009, shall be submitted
32 by said date and copies of reports prepared thereafter shall be
33 submitted semiannually.

34 (2) After October 1, 2009, if the commissioner has not prepared any
35 new reports for submission to the Secretary of Health and Human
36 Services for any six-month submission period under subdivision (1) of
37 this subsection, the commissioner shall prepare and submit a written
38 report in accordance with this subdivision to the joint standing
39 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
40 relating to human services and to the select committee of the General
41 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to aging, in
42 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a. Such report shall
43 include (A) the status of the implementation of the Money Follows the
44 Person demonstration project, (B) the anticipated date that the first
45 eligible person or persons will be transitioned into the community, and
46 (C) information concerning when and how the Department of Social
47 Services will transition additional eligible persons into the community.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	17b-369

