



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 370

February Session, 2010

* _____SB00370APP__042010_____*

AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID LONG-TERM CARE COVERAGE FOR MARRIED COUPLES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Notwithstanding any
2 provision of subsection (g) of section 17b-261 of the general statutes,
3 the Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid state
4 plan to require that the spouse of an institutionalized person who is
5 applying for Medicaid receives the maximum community spouse
6 protected amount, as determined pursuant to 42 USC 1396r-5. The
7 commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54 of
8 the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this section.

9 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Social
10 Services shall amend the Medicaid state plan to require that funds
11 derived from equity in home property through a reverse annuity
12 mortgage loan or other home equity conversion loan are not treated as
13 income or assets for the purpose of qualifying for benefits under the
14 Medicaid program, provided (1) such funds are held in an account that
15 does not contain any other funds, and (2) the Medicaid recipient does
16 not transfer such funds to another person for less than fair market
17 value. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with
18 chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the provisions of this
19 section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

HS *Joint Favorable Subst.*

APP *Joint Favorable*