



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5760

LCO No. 2038

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Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT INCREASING THE PERSONAL NEEDS ALLOWANCE.

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 17b-106 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
3 *1, 2013*):

4 (b) Effective July 1, [2011] 2013, the commissioner shall provide a
5 state supplement payment for recipients of Medicaid and the federal
6 Supplemental Security Income Program who reside in long-term care
7 facilities sufficient to increase their personal needs allowance to [sixty]
8 seventy-two dollars and seventy-five cents per month and such state
9 supplement payment shall be adjusted annually thereafter on July first
10 based on the percentage increase, if any, in the most recent calendar
11 year average in the consumer price index for all urban consumers.
12 Such state supplement payment shall be made to the long-term care
13 facility to be deposited into the personal fund account of each such
14 recipient. For the purposes of this subsection, "long-term care facility"
15 means a licensed chronic and convalescent nursing home, a chronic

16 disease hospital, a rest home with nursing supervision, an
17 intermediate care facility for the mentally retarded or a state humane
18 institution.

19 Sec. 2. Section 17b-272 of the general statutes is repealed and the
20 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2013*):

21 Effective July 1, [2011] 2013, the Commissioner of Social Services
22 shall permit patients residing in nursing homes, chronic disease
23 hospitals and state humane institutions who are medical assistance
24 recipients under sections 17b-260 to 17b-262, inclusive, 17b-264 to 17b-
25 285, inclusive, and 17b-357 to 17b-361, inclusive, to have a monthly
26 personal fund allowance of [sixty] seventy-two dollars and seventy-
27 five cents. On July 1, 2014, and annually thereafter, the commissioner
28 shall adjust the monthly personal fund allowance based on the
29 percentage increase, if any, in the most recent calendar year average in
30 the consumer price index for all urban consumers.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	17b-106(b)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2013</i>	17b-272

Statement of Purpose:

To increase the personal needs allowance to seventy-two dollars and seventy-five cents.

[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.]