



Senate

General Assembly

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Substitute Senate Bill No. 1088

Senate, May 11, 2015

The Committee on Appropriations reported through SEN. BYE of the 5th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of
2 Developmental Services shall, in consultation with key stakeholders,
3 develop a plan to close all state-operated intermediate care facilities for
4 individuals with intellectual disabilities. In developing such plan, the
5 commissioner shall consider the settlement agreement approved by
6 the United States District Court for the District of Connecticut in the
7 case of *Messier vs. Southbury Training School* in furtherance of a strategic
8 timeline to close such facilities.

9 (b) Not later than December 15, 2015, the commissioner shall report,
10 in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
11 statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly
12 having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and public
13 health concerning the plan developed in accordance with subsection
14 (a) of this section. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to:

15 (1) A timeline for closure of such facilities; (2) a description of the
 16 commissioner's plan to (A) transition residents of such facilities to
 17 community-based settings, (B) meet the needs of all persons receiving
 18 services from the Department of Developmental Services, (C) address
 19 any environmental issues relating to the properties on which such
 20 facilities are located, (D) utilize such facilities for a new purpose after
 21 the closure of such facilities, and (E) staff facilities and homes located
 22 in community-based settings; and (3) (A) a financial analysis of short-
 23 term and long-term costs and savings relating to the implementation of
 24 the plan, and (B) a description of resources needed to implement the
 25 plan.

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

APP *Joint Favorable Subst.*

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill requires the Department of Developmental Services (DDS), in consultation with key stakeholders, to develop a plan to close all state-operated intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF/ID) and report to the General Assembly by December 15, 2015. The plan is to include: 1) a timeline for closure, 2) a description of the plan, and 3) a financial analysis of short-term and long-term costs and savings relating to implementing the plan. This provision is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact as DDS has the expertise and resources available to develop the plan.

Background

All state-operated ICF/ID beds are located at Southbury Training School (STS) and the five Regional Centers. The most recent DDS Management Information Report indicates that Southbury Training School has 305 residents and the five Regional Centers have a combined 180 residents for a total of 485 state-operated beds. In FY 14, the average annual cost per resident of STS was \$262,401; and of the Regional Centers, \$377,117.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

Sources: DDS Management Information Report March 2015

www.medicaid.gov/Intermediate Care Facilities for Individuals with Intellectual Disabilities



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 48 Nay 8 (04/29/2015)