

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 1088**

LCO No. 6548

**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:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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