



House Bill No. 5252

Public Act No. 16-47

AN ACT CONCERNING NURSING HOME BEDS FOR AIDS PATIENTS.

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

Section 1. Subsection (a) of section 17b-354 of the 2016 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2016*):

(a) The Department of Social Services shall not accept or approve any requests for additional nursing home beds, except (1) beds restricted to use by patients with acquired immune deficiency syndrome or by patients requiring neurological rehabilitation; (2) beds associated with a continuing care facility which guarantees life care for its residents; (3) Medicaid certified beds to be relocated from one licensed nursing facility to another licensed nursing facility to meet a priority need identified in the strategic plan developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 17b-369; and (4) Medicaid beds to be relocated from a licensed facility or facilities to a new licensed facility, provided at least one currently licensed facility is closed in the transaction, and the new facility bed total is not less than ten per cent lower than the total number of beds relocated. The facilities included in the bed relocation and closure shall be in accordance with the strategic plan developed pursuant to subsection (c) of section 17b-369, provided (A)

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the availability of beds in an area of need will not be adversely affected; and (B) no such relocation shall result in an increase in state expenditures.

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