

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 281**

LCO No. 3151

**AN ACT REQUIRING SITE-NEUTRAL REIMBURSEMENT POLICIES IN
CONTRACTS BETWEEN HEALTH CARRIERS AND HEALTH CARE
PROVIDERS.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Insurance Commissioner shall
2 study, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health and
3 within available appropriations, issues concerning the implementation
4 of site-neutral reimbursement policies as recommended by the
5 Medicare Payment Advisory Commission's June 2013 Report to the
6 Congress: Medicare and the Health Care Delivery System. Such study
7 shall include, but not be limited to, identification of specific health care
8 services and types of facilities to be considered for inclusion under
9 such reimbursement policies, identification of factors the Insurance
10 Commissioner deems appropriate to be considered for the purpose of
11 calculating allowable cost differences under such reimbursement
12 policies, a determination of applicable standards for the Insurance
13 Commissioner to determine an appropriate range for health care
14 provider reimbursement rates under such reimbursement policies and
15 consideration of possible effects of such reimbursement policies on
16 health care provider access and level of service to insureds in this state.
17 Not later than January 1, 2017, the Insurance Commissioner shall
18 submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of

19 the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General
20 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance and
21 public health, of the commissioner's findings and any specific
22 recommendations for legislative action concerning the implementation
23 of such reimbursement policies.

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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