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"AN ACT CONCERNING MINIMUM EMPLOYEE WAGES FOR PROVIDERS OF STATE-CONTRACTED HUMAN SERVICES."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Secretary of the Office of
4 Policy and Management may allocate available funds for the fiscal year
5 beginning July 1, 2018, to increase wages of privately hired employees
6 who provide services to individuals with intellectual disability who
7 are authorized to receive supports and services through the
8 Department of Developmental Services. The secretary may transfer
9 available funds to the behavioral services program and the
10 employment opportunities and day services accounts of the
11 Department of Developmental Services and the community residential
12 services account of the Department of Social Services.

13 (b) Not later than December 1, 2018, private providers who provide
14 services to such individuals with intellectual disability shall provide
15 documentation to the secretary that such funds shall only be used for

16 (1) not later than January 1, 2019, increasing the minimum wage of
17 such employees to not less than fourteen dollars and seventy-five cents
18 per hour, and (2) for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2019, to June 30,
19 2023, inclusive, providing an annual cost-of-living increase of one per
20 cent to such employees who earn not less than fourteen dollars and
21 seventy-six cents per hour and not more than thirty dollars per hour as
22 of January 1, 2019. Within available appropriations, the secretary shall
23 reimburse the private providers for the cost of employer taxes and
24 other costs associated with the wage increases.

25 Sec. 2. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this section, (1)
26 "employee" means any privately employed person who provides state-
27 administered human services, including, but not limited to, any person
28 who receives compensation pursuant to a contractual arrangement
29 with a private human services provider who is not directly employed
30 by such provider, and (2) "state-administered human services" means
31 any of the services administered by the Departments of Correction,
32 Housing, Public Health, Social Services, Children and Families,
33 Rehabilitation Services and Mental Health and Addiction Services, the
34 Office of Early Childhood and the Court Support Services Division of
35 the Judicial Branch that involve direct care of, or services for, eligible
36 persons, including, but not limited to, medical services, mental health
37 and addiction treatment, nutrition and housing assistance and services
38 for children.

39 (b) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall
40 allocate available funds for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, to
41 provide a one per cent cost-of-living adjustment to employees who
42 provide state-administered human services. The secretary may reduce
43 rates for any private provider of human services that receives such
44 funds to provide such cost-of-living adjustment to employees but fails
45 to provide such adjustment.

46 Sec. 3. (*Effective from passage*) The sum of twenty-five million four
47 hundred thousand dollars is appropriated to the Office of Policy and
48 Management, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June

49 30, 2019, for the purposes of implementing the provisions of sections 1
50 and 2 of this act."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	New section