

**Proposed Substitute
Bill No. 372**

LCO No. 6700

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF RESOURCES TO
GUARDIANS OF ADULT CHILDREN WITH INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITY.**

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2019*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "guardian or family member" means (1) one or more biological or
3 adoptive parents of an adult with intellectual disability, (2) one or
4 more persons to whom legal custody was given when the adult with
5 intellectual disability was a minor and in whose home the adult with
6 intellectual disability resides, or (3) any other adult family member
7 who resides with and has a primary responsibility for providing
8 continuous care to an adult with intellectual disability.

9 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services, in collaboration with the
10 Commissioner of Developmental Services, shall submit an application
11 for any applicable Medicaid state plan amendment, waiver or waiver
12 amendment, in accordance with the provisions of section 17b-8 of the
13 general statutes, to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to
14 allow a guardian or family member of an adult with intellectual
15 disability to receive a stipend for providing personal care services to
16 such adult with intellectual disability. Not later than July 1, 2020, or
17 fifteen days after the Commissioner of Social Services receives federal
18 approval of such application, whichever is earlier, the Commissioner
19 of Developmental Services shall provide a stipend to the guardian or
20 family member of such adult with intellectual disability for the

21 provision of personal care services to such adult with intellectual
22 disability, provided such adult with intellectual disability (1) has
23 complex medical or behavioral needs, as determined pursuant to the
24 Department of Developmental Services' level of need assessment, (2) is
25 at least twenty-one years of age, (3) has an income at or below one
26 hundred per cent of the federal poverty level, and (4) is at risk of
27 institutionalization. The Commissioner of Developmental Services
28 shall provide such stipend in accordance with the fee schedule, as
29 established and amended from time to time by the Commissioner of
30 Social Services pursuant to section 17b-343 of the general statutes, for
31 home health services provided under the Connecticut home-care
32 program for the elderly established pursuant to section 17b-342 of the
33 general statutes.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>July 1, 2019</i>	New section
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