



General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 6560

January Session, 2021



AN ACT CONCERNING TIMELY PAYMENTS AND TRAINING FOR PERSONAL CARE ATTENDANTS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1)
2 "consumer" and "personal care attendant" have the same meanings as
3 provided in section 17b-706 of the general statutes, and (2) "timely
4 payment" means payment on a regular payment date or not later than
5 forty-eight hours after any issue delaying payment is resolved. A fiscal
6 intermediary for any of the state-funded programs set forth in section
7 17b-706 of the general statutes shall provide timely payments to a
8 personal care attendant employed by a consumer in such state-funded
9 program.

10 (b) Such fiscal intermediary shall provide clear and timely
11 communication to such personal care attendant about payment
12 discrepancies, payment confirmation or a change in consumer status
13 that may affect timely payment to the personal care attendant. Such
14 communication shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) sufficient
15 notice to allow a personal care attendant to address any issue with
16 submitted time records to receive correct payment on the personal care
17 attendant's regular payment date, (2) a specific and accessible means for
18 a personal care attendant to address an issue that may affect payment in

19 sufficient time for the personal care attendant to receive the correct
20 payment on his or her regular payment date, and (3) a method for a
21 personal care attendant to receive the correct payment not later than
22 forty-eight hours after a payment discrepancy has been resolved.

23 (c) A fiscal intermediary for a state-funded program that fails to make
24 timely payments to a personal care attendant in violation of the
25 provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine of twenty-five dollars
26 imposed by the state agency administering the state-funded program
27 for each day timely wage payment has been delayed.

28 Sec. 2. Section 17b-706e of the general statutes is repealed and the
29 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2021*):

30 Notwithstanding the provisions of sections 17b-706 to 17b-706c,
31 inclusive, where authorized by a collective bargaining agreement
32 negotiated pursuant to section 17b-706b, the [parties may contract]
33 Personal Care Attendant Workforce Council may solicit proposals for
34 the provision of training and related services to personal care
35 attendants, as defined in section 17b-706, [, at cost directly with a
36 nonprofit labor management trust authorized by 29 USC 186(c)(6).]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2021</i>	17b-706e

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In Section 1(c), "by a" was changed to "imposed by the state agency administering the" for clarity.

HS Joint Favorable Subst.