



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 981

LCO No. 4265



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT PARITY FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROVIDERS.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Social Services,
2 in collaboration with the Commissioners of Mental Health and
3 Addiction Services and Housing, shall study whether state-contracted
4 providers of human services receive disparate payment rates under
5 programs the commissioners administer in different regions of the state.
6 The commissioners shall report, in accordance with the provisions of
7 section 11-4a of the general statutes, on their rate study and any
8 resulting recommendations for rate adjustments not later than
9 November 1, 2021, to the joint standing committees of the General
10 Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and
11 the budgets of state agencies, housing, human services and public
12 health. For purposes of this section, "human services" includes, but is
13 not limited to: (1) Physical and behavioral health services, and (2)
14 housing and shelter services provided to homeless persons.

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

Statement of Purpose:

To evaluate whether current payment structures lead to payment inequities for health and human services providers depending on where the services are provided in the state and implement recommendations to achieve payment parity.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]