



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5766

LCO No. 2425



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Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
REP. HOXHA, 78th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING DRUG TESTING OF PERSONS RECEIVING
STATE-ADMINISTERED CASH ASSISTANCE.**

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

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to require recipients
- 2 of cash assistance programs administered by the Department of Social
- 3 Services to (1) undergo tests for use of illegal substances if there is
- 4 evidence supporting a reasonable suspicion such recipient is using such
- 5 substances, (2) complete an education and treatment program if such
- 6 recipient tests positive for use of such substances, and (3) be declared
- 7 ineligible for cash assistance upon failure to complete a required
- 8 education and treatment program or testing positive not less than three
- 9 times for use of such substances.

Statement of Purpose:

To require periodic drug testing for certain cash assistance benefits.