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**"AN ACT CONCERNING NURSING HOME TRANSPARENCY."**

1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:

2 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) (a) Beginning with the cost  
3 report year ending on September 30, 2023, and annually thereafter, each  
4 nursing home facility, as defined in section 19a-490 of the general  
5 statutes, shall submit to the Commissioner of Social Services narrative  
6 summaries of expenditures in addition to the cost reports required  
7 pursuant to section 17b-340 of the general statutes, as amended by this  
8 act. The summaries shall include profit and loss statements for the  
9 preceding three cost report years, total revenue, total expenditures, total  
10 assets, total liabilities, short-term debt, long-term debt and cash flows  
11 from investing, operating and financing activities.

12 (b) Not later than January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the  
13 Commissioner of Social Services shall post in a conspicuous area on the  
14 Internet web site of the Department of Social Services a link to the  
15 annual cost reports and the summaries provided by each nursing home

16 facility.

17 (c) Any nursing home facility that violates or fails to comply with the  
18 provisions of this section shall be fined not more than ten thousand  
19 dollars for each incident of noncompliance. Prior to imposing any  
20 penalty pursuant to this subsection, the commissioner shall notify the  
21 nursing home facility of the alleged violation and the accompanying  
22 penalty and shall permit such facility to request that the department  
23 review its findings. A facility shall request such review not later than  
24 fifteen days after receipt of the notice of violation from the department.  
25 The department shall stay the imposition of any penalty pending the  
26 outcome of the review. The commissioner may impose a penalty upon  
27 a facility pursuant to this subsection regardless of whether a change in  
28 ownership of the facility has taken place since the time of the violation,  
29 provided the department issued notice of the alleged violation and the  
30 accompanying penalty prior to the effective date of the change in  
31 ownership and record of such notice is readily available in a central  
32 registry maintained by the department. Payments of fines received  
33 pursuant to this subsection shall be deposited in the General Fund and  
34 credited to the Medicaid account."

35 In line 106, strike the opening bracket

36 In line 113, strike the closing bracket

37 In line 114, strike the opening and closing brackets and strike "(b)"

38 In line 124, strike the opening and closing brackets and strike "(c)"

39 In line 210, strike the opening bracket

40 In line 211, strike the closing bracket and strike "any amount of  
41 income"

42 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
43 internal references accordingly:

44 "Sec. 501. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioner of Social

45 Services shall develop a guidebook that includes, but need not be  
46 limited to, a glossary and plain language explanation of the terms  
47 relating to and a description of the Medicaid nursing home rate setting  
48 process. Not later than July 1, 2024, the commissioner shall post the  
49 guidebook in a conspicuous area on the Internet web site of the  
50 Department of Social Services. The commissioner may update the  
51 guidebook as deemed necessary."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
Sec. 501	<i>from passage</i>	New section