



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5372

LCO No. 2154



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING MEDICAID FUNDING FOR BEDS RESERVED FOR CHRONIC DISEASE HOSPITAL PATIENTS WHO ARE TEMPORARILY TRANSFERRED TO ACUTE CARE HOSPITALS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2024*) (a) As used in this section,
2 "chronic disease hospital" has the same meaning as provided in section
3 19a-490 of the general statutes. The Commissioner of Social Services
4 shall provide Medicaid funding for a bed reserved for up to fifteen days
5 at a chronic disease hospital for a patient temporarily transferred from
6 such hospital to an acute care hospital, provided such chronic disease
7 hospital has a census of more than fifty per cent Medicaid-funded
8 patients at the time of such patient transfer and meets requirements
9 prescribed by the commissioner pursuant to subsection (b) of this
10 section.

11 (b) The commissioner shall prescribe requirements for a chronic
12 disease hospital to receive Medicaid payment for a reserved bed
13 pursuant to subsection (a) of this section, including, but not limited to,
14 that such hospital provide evidence that a patient transferred from such

15 hospital to an acute care hospital will be able to return to the chronic
16 disease hospital not later than fifteen days after admission to the acute
17 care hospital.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2024</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize Medicaid funding for beds reserved by chronic disease hospitals for patients temporarily transferred to acute care hospitals for critical care.

[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.]