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Substitute House of Bill Representatives General Assembly File No.

2855373 February Public Session, Act 2024 Substitute House Bill No.

537324-134 House of ACT Representatives, CONCERNING April VARIOUS 4, REVISIONS 2024 TO The HUMAN
Committee SERVICES on STATUTES. Human Services reported through REP.

~~GILCHREST of the 18th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.~~

~~AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO HUMAN SERVICES STATUTES.~~

The council shall establish its own rules and shall meet at least ~~quarterly.~~ quarterly. ~~sHB5373 / File No.~~

285(c) 1 There sHB5373 shall File be No. established an interagency management committee for services to persons with disabilities.

~~285 [(c)] (a) There shall be established an interagency management committee for services to persons with disabilities.~~

The committee shall ~~monthly~~ Substitute review ~~House and Bill evaluate~~ No. services to persons with disabilities and shall develop a policy under which state agencies may enter into contracts with other state agencies for the delivery of services to persons with disabilities.

5373 monthly review and evaluate services to persons with disabilities and shall develop a policy under which state agencies may enter into contracts with other state agencies for the delivery of services to persons with disabilities.

~~[(d)] (d) (b)~~ The Department of Social Services shall maintain on the department's Internet web site information on services provided to persons with disabilities.

Any facility with ~~sHB5373 real /property File~~ other than land placed in service prior to October 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on Public Act No.

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~~2855373 real property other than land placed in service prior to October 1, 1991, shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on~~ real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding October 1, 1993.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, rate period, the commissioner shall increase the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year ~~2001~~ costs to include a one and one-half per cent inflation factor, except that such increase shall be effective November 1, 2002, and such facility ~~sHB5373 Public /Act File~~ No.

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2855373 rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for services provided until October 31, 2002, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and have such rate updated effective November 1, 2002, in accordance with applicable statutes and regulations.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with ~~the Public department, Act shall No. be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006.~~ Effective 24-134 October 4 1, of 2006, 23 no Substitute facility House shall Bill receive a rate that is more than sHB5373 / File No.

2855373 4 the sHB5373 department, File shall No. be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006.

285 Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than three per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate that is two and nine-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status, or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the fiscal year ending June ~~30, 2009, rates in effect~~ 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that

would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate.

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2013, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2013, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ~~ending Public Act 30, No. 2014, or June 30, 2015, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.~~

~~Any 24-134 facility 5 that of would 23 have Substitute been House issued Bill a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with sHB5373 / File No.~~

285 5373 5 ending sHB5373 June File 30, No. 2014, or June 30, 2015, to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.

285 Any facility that would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate.

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30, 2021, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if a capital improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, only to the extent such rate ~~increases Public are Act within No. available appropriations.~~

~~For 24-134 the 6 fiscal of year 23 ending Substitute June House 30, Bill 2022, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, sHB5373 / File No.~~

285 5373 6 increases sHB5373 are File within No. available appropriations.

285 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2020, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the department shall determine facility rates based upon ~~2022 cost report filings subject to the provisions of this section, adjusted to reflect any rate increases provided after the cost report year ending June Public 30, Act 2022, No. and with the addition of a two per cent adjustment factor.~~

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5373 June 30, 2022, and with the addition of a two per cent adjustment factor.

There shall be no increase to rates based on any inflationary factor for ~~sHB5373 the /fiscal File year No. ending June 30, 2024.~~

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~~285 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024.~~

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, there shall be no minimum per diem, per bed rate for a residential facility licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual ~~disability. Public Act No.~~

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For the fiscal years ending June 30, sHB5373 2012, /June File 30, No. 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, June 30, 2021, June 30, 2022, June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355.

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~~285 2012, June 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, June 30, 2021, June 30, 2022, June 30, 2023, June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355.~~

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For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any residential care home with an operating cost component of its rate that is less than one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an allowance for real wage growth equal to sixty-five per cent of the increase determined in ~~sHB5373~~ accordance with File subsection No. (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost component shall not exceed one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992.

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~~285 accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost component shall not exceed one hundred thirty per cent of the median of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992.~~

Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, a residential care home shall be reimbursed the greater of the allowable accumulated fair rent reimbursement associated with real property additions Public and Act land No. ~~as calculated on a per day basis or three dollars and ten cents per day if the allowable reimbursement associated with real property additions and land is less than three dollars and ten cents per day.~~

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5373 additions and land as calculated on a per day basis or three dollars and ten cents per day if the allowable reimbursement associated with real property additions and land is less than three dollars and ten cents per day.

Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, for the purposes of determining the allowable salary of an administrator of a ~~sHB5373 residential care home No. with sixty beds or less the~~ department shall revise the allowable base salary to thirty-seven thousand dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies.

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~~285 residential care home with sixty beds or less the department shall revise the allowable base salary to thirty-seven thousand dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies.~~

Beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 1999, for the purpose of determining the allowable salary of a related party, the department shall revise the maximum salary to twenty-seven thousand eight hundred fifty-six dollars to be annually inflated thereafter in accordance with section 17-311-52 of the ~~regulations of Connecticut state agencies and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, such allowable salary shall be computed on~~ Public of Act Connecticut No. state agencies and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, such allowable salary shall be computed on ~~an hourly basis and the maximum number of hours allowed for a related party other than the proprietor shall be increased from forty hours to forty-eight hours per work week.~~

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5373 regulations of Connecticut state agencies and beginning with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2001, such allowable salary shall be computed on an hourly basis and the maximum number of hours allowed for a related party other than the proprietor shall be increased from forty hours to forty-eight hours per work week.

Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005, and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is determined in accordance with applicable law and subject to appropriations, except ~~sHB5373 any facility that No. would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005.~~

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~~285 any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2005.~~

Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than four per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September 30, 2006, except for any facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with ~~the department, shall be issued such lower~~ Public rate Act effective No. October 1, 2006.

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5373 the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006.

and (ii) the commissioner may increase a facility's rate ~~sHB5373 for reasonable File costs No. associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel.~~

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~~285 for reasonable costs associated with such facility's compliance with the provisions of section 19a-495a concerning the administration of medication by unlicensed personnel.~~

~~For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, for those facilities that have a calculated rate greater than the ratePublic inAct effectNo. for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may increase facility rates based upon available appropriations up to a stop gain as determined by the commissioner.~~

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5373 rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2013, the commissioner may increase facility rates based upon available appropriations up to a stop gain as determined by the commissioner.

Increase the inflation cost limitation under subsection (c) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of sHB5373Connecticut /state Fileagencies, No-provided such inflation allowance factor does not exceed a maximum of five per cent;

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~~285 Connecticut state agencies, provided such inflation allowance factor does not exceed a maximum of five per cent;~~

~~For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, Public 2015,Act exceptNo. the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.~~

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5373 30, 2015, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in cost report years ending September 30, 2014, and September 30, 2015, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2020, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, except the commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and sHB5373within /available Fileappropriations, No-provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2018, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

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~~285 within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2018, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.~~

~~For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022, the commissionerPublic may,Act inNo. the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2020, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.~~

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5373 commissioner may, in the commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30, 2020, that are not otherwise included in rates issued.

For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, a facility may receive a rate increase for a capital improvement approved by the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents sHB5373during /the Filefiscal No-year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.

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~~285 during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or June 30, 2025, only to the extent such rate increases are within available appropriations.~~

~~Notwithstanding any other provisions of this chapter, any subsequentPublic increaseAct toNo. allowable operating costs, excluding fair rent, shall be inflated by the gross domestic product deflator when funding is specifically appropriated for such purposes in the enacted budget.~~

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5373 subsequent increase to allowable operating costs, excluding fair rent, shall be inflated by the gross domestic product deflator when funding is specifically appropriated for such purposes in the enacted budget.

Subdivision (11) of subsection (a) of section 17b-340d of the 2024-supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(11) There shall be no increase to rates based on inflation or any sHB5373inflationary /factor Filefor No. the fiscal years ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, unless otherwise authorized under

subdivision (1) of this subsection.

~~285~~Notwithstanding ~~16~~section 5373 ~~17-311-52~~ ~~File~~of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, there shall be no inflationary increases to rates beyond Public Act No.

~~285~~~~24-134~~ ~~inflationary~~17 ~~factor of for~~23 ~~the~~Substitute ~~fiscal~~House ~~years~~Bill ~~ending~~No. ~~June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, unless otherwise authorized under subdivision (1) of this subsection.~~

~~Notwithstanding~~5373 ~~section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies, for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and June 30, 2025, there shall be no inflationary increases to rates beyond~~ those already factored into the model for the transition to an acuity- based reimbursement system.

The ~~5373~~Department ~~of~~ ~~File~~Social Services shall distribute sufficient copies of the summary to all state agencies providing services to persons with Public Act No.

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~~285~~~~5373~~ ~~Department of Social Services shall distribute sufficient copies of the summary to all state agencies providing services to persons with~~ disabilities in order that such copies may be furnished in accordance with this subsection.] Sec.

Section 4-67bb of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

Not later than October 1, 2023, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall establish two new staff positions, (1) one of whom shall serve as state-wide coordinator of programs and services provided by state agencies for individuals with autism spectrum disorder, and (2) one of whom shall (A) identify programs and services provided by state agencies for individuals who have an intellectual or developmental disability other than autism spectrum disorder;

and (B) help commissioners of such agencies to coordinate such programs and services.

The secretary shall establish an interagency coalition, which shall include, but need not be limited to, representatives from the Department of Developmental Services, in its capacity as the lead agency for persons with an intellectual or developmental disability pursuant to section 17a-210, and the Department of Social Services, in its capacity as the lead agency for persons with autism spectrum disorder pursuant to section 17a-215c.

The coalition shall meet not less than quarterly and work on strategies to reduce silos in the provision of state agency services for such persons.

Not later than July 1, 2025, the secretary shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, on the progress of the interagency coalition in reducing silos of services with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services and public health.

Sec.

7.

Section 17a-238b of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

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5373 (a) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services and the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, shall reduce waiting lists for services in Medicaid waiver programs established under Section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act and administered by the Department of Developmental Services.

Not later than January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of Developmental Services, in consultation with the Office of Policy and Management staff person employed pursuant to section 4-67bb to help agencies coordinate programs and services for individuals who have an intellectual or developmental disability other than autism spectrum disorder, shall file a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, [and in consultation with the Commissioner of Developmental Services, on] with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations, human services and public health.

The report shall include, but need not be limited to, data from the prior fiscal year regarding information on persons currently receiving services through the Medicaid waiver programs administered by the Department of Developmental Services.

Such information shall include aggregated, deidentified data regarding the following:

(1) [the] The number and age ranges of persons [waiting for services in the waiver programs and the number of underserved persons waiting for additional services in the waiver programs,] who are not receiving services through the department's Medicaid waiver programs and are included on the department's wait list for residential services;

(2) [the number of persons added to and subtracted from such waiting lists for the previous calendar year, and (3) whether] The number and age ranges of persons who are currently receiving Medicaid waiver

program services through the department, but are waiting for residential services and are included on the department's wait list for residential support services, including the type of services Public Act No.

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5373 being provided;

(3) Whether such waiting lists have increased or decreased over the previous [calendar] fiscal year and, if so, by how [may] many persons;

[with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, human services and public health.] (4) The number of persons who have an intellectual or developmental disability other than autism spectrum disorder who are waiting for access to employment opportunities or day services;

(5) The number and age ranges of the primary caregiver for persons with an intellectual or developmental disability other than autism spectrum disorder who are living in their family home;

(6) Recommendations and initiatives the department is developing to reduce the waiting list over the next fiscal year;

(7) The number and age ranges of individuals currently being served through the Medicaid waiver programs;

(8) The number and age ranges of individuals currently receiving residential services through the Medicaid waiver programs;

and (9) The number and age ranges of persons added to and subtracted from waiting lists over the previous fiscal year.

(b) The commissioner shall post the report on the department's Internet web site.

Sec.

8.

Section 17a-215g of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from passage):

(a) The Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the Public Act No.

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5373 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and within available appropriations, shall expand the Medicaid waiver program for persons with autism spectrum disorder to reduce the number of persons on a waiting list to receive services under the program.

(b) Not later than January 1, 2024, and annually thereafter, the Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the Office of Policy and Management's state-wide coordinator of programs and services provided by state agencies for individuals with autism spectrum disorder, appointed pursuant to section 4-67bb, shall file a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, [and in consultation with the Commissioner of Social Services, on (1) the number of persons waiting for services in the program, (2) the number of underserved persons in the program waiting for additional services, (3) the number of persons added and subtracted from the waiting list in the previous calendar year, (4) whether such waiting list has increased or decreased over the previous calendar year and, if so, by how many persons, and (5) recommendations to further reduce the waiting list and associated costs] with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and human services and the Autism Spectrum Disorder Advisory Council, established pursuant to section 17a-215j.

(c) The report shall include, but need not be limited to, aggregated, deidentified data from the prior fiscal year regarding:

(1) The number and age ranges of persons waiting for services in the Medicaid waiver program and the number and ages of persons currently being served by the waiver program;

(2) The number and age ranges of persons waiting for residential care and the number and ages of persons receiving residential care through the Medicaid waiver program;

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5373 (3) The number and age ranges of underserved persons currently receiving services in the Medicaid waiver program but who are waiting for additional services in the Medicaid waiver program and a brief description of the services for which such persons are waiting;

(4) The number and age ranges of persons added to and subtracted from the waiting list for the previous calendar year;

(5) Whether the waiting list has increased or decreased over the previous calendar year and, if so, by how many persons;

(6) Measurable data, if such data is available to the department, including outcome data, for persons who are eligible to receive services pursuant to the Medicaid waiver program for persons with autism

spectrum disorder, including, but not limited to: (A) The number of such persons who are enrolled in postsecondary education, (B) the employment status of such persons, and (C) a description of such persons' living arrangements, including, if applicable, the ages of such persons' guardians with whom they reside; and (7) Recommendations to further reduce the waiting list and associated costs.
(d) The commissioner shall post the report on the department's Internet web site.

Sec.

9.

Section 17a-215e of the 2024 supplement to the general statutes is repealed.

(Effective from passage) Sec.

10.

(Effective from passage) This Approved act June shall 6, take 2024 effect Public as Act follows No. and shall amend the following sections:

Section 24-134 123 from of passage 23-17b-606 Sec.

2 from passage 17b-340(h)(1) Sec.

3 from passage 17b-340(i) Sec.

4 from passage 17b-340d(a)(11) Sec.

5 from passage 17a-784(c) Sec.

6 from passage Repealer section HS Joint Favorable Subst.

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285 The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose.

In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge.

Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

OFA Fiscal Note State Impact:

None Municipal Impact:

None Explanation The bill, which makes various technical and conforming changes, has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years State Impact:

None Municipal Impact:

None sHB5373 / File No.

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285 OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5373 AN ACT CONCERNING VARIOUS REVISIONS TO HUMAN SERVICES STATUTES.

SUMMARY This bill eliminates obsolete statutory provisions generally designating the Department of Social Services (DSS) as the lead agency for services to people with disabilities ("lead agency") and requiring it to (1) coordinate the delivery of these services by all state agencies and (2) appoint a council, which is currently inactive, to advise it in doing so.

It similarly eliminates certain requirements related to DSS's status as lead agency, including:

1.

repealing statutes requiring the department to carry out an obsolete planning requirement and 2.

removing a provision of current law requiring the department to develop a written summary of all state programs for people with disabilities and distribute copies to all state agencies providing services to people with disabilities.

In doing so, the bill also eliminates current law's requirement that each state agency providing these services give each person that applies a copy of this summary.

Lastly, the bill makes minor changes in several statutes to correct the calendar date on which the fiscal quarter ends.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

Upon passage COMMITTEE ACTION Human Services Committee Joint Favorable Substitute Yea 22 Nay 0 (03/10/2024) sHB5373 / File No.

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