



Senate

General Assembly

File No. 322

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Senate Bill No. 981

Senate, April 7, 2021

The Committee on Human Services reported through SEN. MOORE of the 22nd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

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

HS *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill is not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact as the Departments of Social Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services, and Housing has the expertise necessary to conduct the study of rates required under the bill.

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OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 19 Nay 0 (03/18/2021)