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sHB-6470

AN ACT CONCERNING HOME HEALTH, TELEHEALTH AND  
UTILIZATION REVIEW.

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

***State Impact:*** See Below

***Municipal Impact:*** None

## ***Explanation***

The bill (1) specifies conditions under which audio-only telehealth services can be provided under Medicaid and HUSKY B, and (2) requires Medicaid reimbursement for telehealth services to be the same as if the service was provided in person, to the extent allowed under federal law. DSS currently reimburses for telehealth services (including audio-only under certain conditions) at the in-person rate. While this codifies current practice under the public health emergency, it could preclude future savings to the extent telehealth services would otherwise be provided at lower rates than those established for equivalent in-person services.

The bill makes other technical and conforming changes, which have no fiscal impact.

## ***The Out Years***

The potential future fiscal impact is described above.