



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5333

LCO No. 885



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
REP. COOK, 65th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING DATA COLLECTION TO PREVENT
MALNUTRITION AMONG SENIOR CITIZENS.**

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

1 That section 17a-302a of the general statutes be amended to require
2 the Commissioner of Aging and Disability Services to file a report, in
3 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,
4 with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
5 cognizance of matters relating to aging and human services on: (1)
6 Statistics regarding the number of meals on wheels delivered and
7 congregate meals served in the communities covered by each area
8 agency on aging, (2) an estimated percentage of eligible senior citizens
9 in each such area who are not being provided with meals, (3) the cost to
10 provide each meal compared to state reimbursement, (4) cutbacks in
11 meal service in each such area related to inadequate reimbursement,
12 and (5) recommendations for improvement, including, but not limited
13 to, best practices nationwide to ensure senior citizens get the support
14 they need to avoid malnutrition.

Statement of Purpose:

To combat malnutrition among senior citizens by identifying gaps in the provision of meals, causes for such gaps and recommendations for improvement.