
OLR Bill Analysis

SB 280

AN ACT CONCERNING NATUROPATHS.

SUMMARY

This bill requires the Department of Social Services commissioner to amend the Medicaid state plan by October 1, 2022, to provide Medicaid coverage for services provided by a licensed naturopath.

By law, the practice of naturopathy means the science, art, and practice of healing by natural methods as recognized by the Council of Naturopathic Medical Education. It includes disease diagnosis, prevention, and treatment and health optimization by stimulating and supporting the body's natural healing processes, as approved by the State Board of Naturopathic Examiners with the consent of the Department of Public Health commissioner (CGS § 20-34).

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 20 Nay 0 (03/24/2022)