



Senate

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Senate Bill No. 1173

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The Committee on Human Services reported through SEN. LESSER of the 9th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Social
2 Services shall conduct a study of programs administered by the
3 Department of Social Services to determine whether there are any gaps
4 in services.

5 (b) The study conducted pursuant to subsection (a) of this section
6 shall include, but need not be limited to, a report on: (1) How responsive
7 such department programs are to recipients of services; (2) what
8 problems, if any, exist within such programs; and (3) whether staff is
9 allocated in a manner to meet the need for services within such
10 programs.

11 (c) Not later than January 1, 2024, the Commissioner of Social Services
12 shall report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the
13 general statutes, on the results of the study to the joint standing
14 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters

15 relating to human services. The report may include the commissioner's
16 recommendations for addressing identified gaps in the provision of
17 services and improving access to such services.

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, which requires the Department of Social Services to conduct a study of programs to determine whether there are any gaps in services, has no fiscal impact as the agency has the expertise necessary to do so.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None

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

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