



General Assembly

Raised Bill No. 6575

January Session, 2023

LCO No. 3340



Referred to Committee on AGING

Introduced by:
(AGE)

AN ACT ENCOURAGING SOCIALIZATION FOR NURSING HOME RESIDENTS BY PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION FOR VISITS WITH FAMILY.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2023*) (a) Any nursing home
2 facility, as defined in section 19a-490 of the general statutes, with
3 available vehicles equipped to transport nonambulatory residents,
4 may provide nonemergency transportation of such residents to the
5 homes of such residents' family members, provided: (1) Such family
6 members live within fifteen miles of the nursing home facility, and (2)
7 such transportation is approved not less than five business days in
8 advance by a physician or physician's assistant, licensed pursuant to
9 chapter 370 of the general statutes, or an advanced practice registered
10 nurse, licensed pursuant to chapter 378 of the general statutes.

11 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services, within available
12 appropriations, shall establish a grant program to fund such
13 nonemergency transportation. The commissioner shall prescribe forms
14 and procedures for a nursing home facility to apply for a grant
15 through the program.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2023</i>	New section
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AGE *Joint Favorable*