



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 742

LCO No. 1609



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Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
SEN. KISSEL, 7th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF MARRIAGE ON
ELIGIBILITY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FOR PUBLIC
ASSISTANCE BENEFITS.**

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

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to require the
- 2 Commissioner of Social Services to (1) study eligibility criteria for public
- 3 assistance benefits, including, but not limited to, medical assistance and
- 4 supplemental nutrition assistance, to determine whether they present a
- 5 disincentive for a person with disabilities considering marriage; and (2)
- 6 report the results of the study and recommendations for changes
- 7 consistent with federal law to the joint standing committee of the
- 8 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human
- 9 services.

Statement of Purpose:

To study eligibility criteria for certain public assistance programs to determine whether marriage of a person with disabilities negatively impacts such person's eligibility for benefits and report on recommendations for necessary changes in such criteria consistent with federal law.