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AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SENIOR
CITIZENS.

AMENDMENT

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The amendment strikes the language in the underlying bill and the associated fiscal impact.

Section 6 of the amendment establishes a new Dementia Services Coordinator position in the Department of Aging and Disability Services and results in total state costs of \$115,684 in both FY 24 and FY 25. This includes costs of approximately \$81,000 in both FY 24 and FY 25 associated with the new Coordinator position (based on the average salary for a Health Program Assistant 2), and \$34,684 in both FY 24 and FY 25 for associated fringe benefit costs.

Section 7 could result in a revenue gain to the Department of Social Services (DSS) associated with fines for nursing homes due to noncompliance with documentation requirements established by the amendment. Failure to comply with the provisions could result in a fine of not more than \$10,000 for each incident of noncompliance. Fines must be paid to the General Fund and credited to the Medicaid account.

Section 11 results in a cost of \$100,000 in FY 24 to the Office of Policy and Management to hire one consultant who will develop a plan to transfer homemaker-companion agency registration and oversight responsibilities from the Department of Consumer Protection (DCP) to

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the Department of Public Health (DPH) and prepare the required report by August 1, 2024.

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