



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5333

LCO No. 2100



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY.

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

1 Section 1. Section 17b-428 of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2022*):

3 (a) As used in this section:

4 (1) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Social Services;

5 (2) "PACE program" has the same meaning as provided in Title IV,
6 Subtitle I of Public Law 105-33, as amended from time to time, and
7 includes a program of all-inclusive care for the elderly.

8 [(2)] (3) "Eligible individual" means "PACE program eligible
9 individual", as defined in Subtitle I of Public Law 105-33, as amended
10 from time to time, or in a [waiver application] Medicaid state plan
11 amendment approved by the United States Department of Health and
12 Human Services;

13 [(3)] "PACE program" means "PACE program", as defined in Subtitle

14 I of Public Law 105-33, as amended from time to time, and includes a
15 program of all-inclusive care for the elderly;]

16 (4) "PACE program agreement" means "PACE program agreement",
17 as defined in Subtitle I of Public Law 105-33, as amended from time to
18 time;

19 (5) "PACE provider" means "PACE provider", as defined in Subtitle I
20 of Public Law 105-33, as amended from time to time;

21 (6) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the United States Department
22 of Health and Human Services or a designated official responsible for
23 Medicaid state plan amendment approvals;

24 (7) "State administering agency" means "state administering agency",
25 as defined in Subtitle I of Public Law 105-33, as amended from time to
26 time.

27 (b) [Not later than July 1, 1998, the] The commissioner [shall establish
28 a pilot program in which PACE providers deliver] may submit a
29 Medicaid state plan amendment to add PACE program services to
30 [eligible individuals in this state pursuant to a PACE program
31 agreement. Under said program, the commissioner, in consultation with
32 the Insurance Commissioner, may initially enter into contracts with
33 integrated service networks which have successfully completed a
34 feasibility study, in conjunction with a PACE technical assistance center,
35 for the provision of PACE program services] the Medicaid state plan.

36 (c) The Department of Social Services shall be the state administering
37 agency for the state of Connecticut responsible for administering PACE
38 program [agreements in this state. The department, upon request, shall
39 assist the secretary in establishing procedures for entering into,
40 extending and terminating PACE program agreements for the operation
41 of PACE programs by PACE providers in this state] services. The
42 department shall establish participation criteria for eligible individuals
43 and PACE providers and make payments for PACE program services
44 from funds appropriated to the Medicaid account.

45 [(d) The commissioner shall provide medical assistance under this
46 section for PACE program services to eligible individuals who are
47 eligible for medical assistance in this state and enrolled in a PACE
48 program under a PACE program agreement. The commissioner shall
49 seek any waiver from federal law necessary to permit federal
50 participation for Medicaid expenditures for PACE programs in this
51 state.]

52 [(e)] (d) The commissioner may adopt regulations in accordance with
53 chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section. The
54 commissioner, pursuant to section 17b-10, may implement policies and
55 procedures to implement the provisions of this section while in the
56 process of adopting such policies and procedures in regulation form,
57 provided the commissioner posts notice of the intent to adopt the
58 regulation on the eRegulations System not later than twenty days after
59 the date of implementation. Such policies shall be valid until the time
60 final regulations are adopted.

61 Sec. 2. Section 17b-28c of the general statutes is repealed (*Effective July*
62 *1, 2022*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	17b-428
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2022</i>	17b-28c

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize the Commissioner of Social Services to amend the Medicaid state plan to add the Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), a federal benefit that integrates Medicare and Medicaid financing to provide a comprehensive service delivery system aimed at allowing certain individuals fifty-five years of age and older to remain in a community setting.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]