

General Assembly

Substitute Bill No. 5333

February Session, 2022



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 Section 17b-428 of the general statutes is repealed and the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 42 USC
- 6 1395eee, as amended from time to time, and includes a program of all-
- 7 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] 42 USC
- 10 1395eee, as amended from time to time, or in a [waiver application]
- 11 <u>Medicaid state plan amendment</u> approved by the United States
- 12 Department of Health and 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] <u>42 USC 1395eee</u>, as 18 amended from time to time;
- 19 (5) "PACE provider" means "PACE provider", as defined in [Subtitle 20 I of Public Law 105-33] 42 USC 1395eee, as amended from time to time; 21 and
- [(6) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services;
- [(7)] (6) "State administering agency" means "state administering agency", as defined in [Subtitle I of Public Law 105-33] 42 USC 1395eee, as amended from time to 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, within 30 available appropriations, to [eligible individuals in this state pursuant 31 to a PACE program agreement. Under said program, the commissioner, 32 in consultation with the Insurance Commissioner, may initially enter 33 into contracts with integrated service networks which have successfully completed a feasibility study, in conjunction with a PACE technical 34 35 assistance center, for the provision of PACE program services] the 36 Medicaid state plan.
- 37 (c) The Department of Social Services shall be the state administering 38 agency for the state of Connecticut responsible for administering PACE 39 program [agreements in this state. The department, upon request, shall 40 assist the secretary in establishing procedures for entering into, 41 extending and terminating PACE program agreements for the operation 42 of PACE programs by PACE providers in this state agreement services. 43 Upon approval of the Medicaid state plan amendment, the department 44 shall establish participation criteria for eligible individuals and PACE 45 providers and make payments for PACE program services from funds appropriated to the Medicaid account. 46

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

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

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

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following		
sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2022	17b-428
Sec. 2	July 1, 2022	Repealer section

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Section 1(a)(6) was deleted, Section 1(a)(7) was redesignated as Section 1(a)(6) and "and" was added in Section 1(a)(5) for accuracy.

HS Joint Favorable Subst.

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