

General Assembly

February Session, 2020

Raised Bill No. 401

LCO No. **2377**

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENT PARITY FOR CERTAIN ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

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

1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) The Commissioners of Social 2 Services, Mental Health and Addiction Services and Housing shall 3 study whether state-contracted providers of human services receive 4 disparate payment rates under programs they administer in different 5 regions of the state. The commissioners shall report, in accordance with 6 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, on their rate 7 studies and any resulting recommendations for rate adjustments not 8 later than November 1, 2020, to the joint standing committees of the 9 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to 10 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, housing, human 11 services and public health. For purposes of this section, "human 12 services" includes, but is not limited to: (1) Physical and behavioral 13 health services, and (2) housing and shelter services provided to 14 homeless persons.

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

Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To determine whether providers of human services receive disparate payment rates based on location and whether rate adjustments are required to ensure payment parity in the future.

[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.]