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SB-1333

AN ACT CONCERNING VALUE-BASED MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT TO NURSING HOMES.

As Amended by Senate "A" (LCO 8999)

Senate Calendar No.: 159

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Social Services, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	None	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Section 2 of the bill may result in a cost to the Department of Social Services (DSS), beginning in FY 27, associated with allowing the agency to establish a quality metrics program to provide payments to nursing homes on or after 10/1/26. The actual cost is dependent on the design, scope, and implementation of the program.

The bill makes various other changes that have no fiscal impact, as described by section below.

Section 1 makes technical changes related to the responsibilities of the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman, which does not result in a fiscal impact.

Sections 3 and 4 require long-term care insurers (i.e., private entities) to hold a public hearing and notify policyholders about it before implementing certain premium rate increases. There is no fiscal impact

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to the state or municipalities from these provisions as they affect private entities.

Section 5 requires DSS to conduct a study related to the Connecticut Home Care Program, which has no fiscal impact as the agency has the expertise necessary to do so.

Senate "A" strikes the language in the underlying bill and the associated impact and results in the fiscal impact described above.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the implementation of the quality metrics program.

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