

General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 6093



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by: REP. CANINO, 65th Dist. SEN. HONIG, 8th Dist.

## AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF "SAFETY NET" HUSKY DENTAL PROVIDERS.

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

1 That the Commissioner of Social Services be required to (1) evaluate 2 and determine the need to define and recognize "Safety Net HUSKY 3 dental providers" in the HUSKY Health program, (2) identify and 4 establish criteria for qualifying as a Safety Net HUSKY dental provider, 5 (3) evaluate the potential impact of recognizing Safety Net HUSKY 6 dental providers on access to dental services for HUSKY Health 7 program enrollees, (4) assess the financial implications of establishing 8 and reimbursing Safety Net HUSKY dental providers, (5) solicit 9 feedback and recommendations from stakeholders regarding the 10 creation of a distinct provider category for such providers, and (6) file a 11 report with recommendations not later than January 1, 2026, with the 12 joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of 13 matters relating to human services.

## Statement of Purpose:

To study the effects on access to dental care and state cost of establishing a distinct category of HUSKY Health program dental providers.