

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 6975

LCO No. **4669**

Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by: (PH)

AN ACT REQUIRING A BIENNIAL STUDY OF PAYMENT PARITY FOR SERVICES UNDER CERTAIN INDIVIDUAL AND GROUP HEALTH INSURANCE POLICIES IN THE STATE AND THE HUSKY HEALTH PROGRAM.

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

1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) The Commissioner of Health 2 Strategy shall study, in consultation with the Insurance Commissioner 3 and the Commissioner of Social Services, whether payment parity exists between (1) providers of mental health services and providers of health 4 5 care services covered under individual or group health insurance 6 policies in this state providing coverage of the type specified in 7 subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 of the general 8 statutes, (2) providers of mental health services and providers of health 9 care services covered under the HUSKY Health program, and (3) 10 providers of mental health services covered under the HUSKY Health 11 program and providers of such services covered under individual or 12 group health insurance policies in this state providing coverage of the 13 type specified in subdivisions (1), (2), (4), (11) and (12) of section 38a-469 14 of the general statutes. Not later than January 1, 2026, and biennially

15 thereafter, the Commissioner of Health Strategy shall report, in 16 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, 17 to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having 18 cognizance of matters relating to human services, insurance, public 19 health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies regarding 20 the results of the study.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require a biennial study of payment parity for services under certain individual and group health insurance policies in the state and the HUSKY Health program.

[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.]