

General Assembly

January Session, 2025

Raised Bill No. 7043

LCO No. **4893**

Referred to Committee on COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN

Introduced by: (KID)

AN ACT CONCERNING FOSTER CARE MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS.

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

1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) Not later than January 1, 2026, the 2 Commissioner of Children and Families shall submit a report, in 3 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, 4 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having 5 cognizance of matters relating to children. Such report shall include 6 information concerning foster care maintenance payments provided by 7 the Department of Children and Families to foster parents in the state, 8 including, but not limited to, (1) the rates and schedule of such 9 payments, (2) a comparison of foster care maintenance payments 10 provided to foster parents in the state and neighboring jurisdictions, (3) 11 an analysis of the feasibility of increasing such rates, and (4) 12 recommendations for legislation to accomplish such rate increase.

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

Section 1 *from passage*

Statement of Purpose:

To require the Commissioner of Children and Families to submit a report concerning foster care maintenance payments provided by the Department of Children and Families to foster parents in the state.

[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.]