



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 162

LCO No. 734



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
SEN. HWANG, 28th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING EQUITABLE PAYMENT RATES FOR
DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT, SUPPLIES AND COMPLEX
REHABILITATION TECHNOLOGY.**

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

- 1 That title 17b of the general statutes be amended to ensure equitable
- 2 payment rates for durable medical equipment, orthotics, prosthetics and
- 3 supplies and complex rehabilitation technology by (1) providing
- 4 Medicaid payment rates equal to one hundred per cent of the
- 5 corresponding non-rural Medicare payment rates for such covered
- 6 equipment, supplies and technology in the state, (2) providing an
- 7 annual increase in such rates equal to any increase in the consumer price
- 8 index for all urban consumers, (3) providing a one-time increase in rates
- 9 for such equipment, supplies and technology covered by Medicaid but
- 10 not Medicare by fifteen and three-tenths per cent and an annual increase
- 11 thereafter in accordance with the consumer price index for all urban
- 12 consumers, and (4) ensuring that any covered such equipment, supplies
- 13 or technology for which neither Medicaid nor Medicare has set a
- 14 reimbursement rate shall be paid at ninety per cent of the
- 15 manufacturer's suggested retail price or at forty-five per cent above

- 16 minimum invoice cost if a manufacturer has not set a suggested retail
17 price.

Statement of Purpose:

To ensure equitable payment rates for durable medical equipment, supplies and complex rehabilitation technology.