



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 772

LCO No. 1439



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:
SEN. ANWAR, 3rd Dist.

***AN ACT CONCERNING OVERSIGHT AND TRANSPARENCY IN THE
PRESCRIPTION OF PSYCHOTROPIC DRUGS TO CHILDREN
RECEIVING BENEFITS UNDER MEDICAID.***

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

- 1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) require a health care
- 2 provider who is prescribing a psychotropic drug to a child receiving
- 3 services under Medicaid to (A) provide the parent or guardian of such
- 4 child with medication guides prepared by the federal Food and Drug
- 5 Administration concerning such drug, and (B) educate the parent or
- 6 guardian of such child regarding the risks and benefits of such drugs
- 7 and inform such parent or guardian of any nondrug alternatives, (2)
- 8 establish a robust, user-friendly system through which the parent,
- 9 guardian or health care provider of a child taking a psychotropic drug
- 10 can report any side effects of such drug that the child may be
- 11 experiencing, and (3) require the implementation of regulatory
- 12 measures and accountability standards for the Departments of Social
- 13 Services and Public Health to ensure safe prescription practices with
- 14 regard to children receiving services under the Medicaid program.

Statement of Purpose:

To safeguard the health and well-being of Connecticut's children while fostering transparency and accountability in the Medicaid program.