

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 1547

LCO No. **6722**

Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by: (APP)

AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR NONPROFITS.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) As used in this section, (1) 2 "nonprofit human services provider" means a nonprofit provider that 3 contracts with the state to provide human services that may include, but 4 need not be limited to: (A) Services for persons with a physical 5 disability, (B) services for persons with intellectual disability or 6 developmental disabilities, including, but not limited to, autism 7 spectrum disorder, and (C) behavioral health services; and (2) "state 8 agency" has the same meaning as provided in section 4-37e of the 9 general statutes.

10 (b) On July first annually, a state agency contracting with a nonprofit 11 human services provider shall increase salary or payment rates for the 12 employees of such providers for a recurring contract with such 13 nonprofit human services provider by the average percentage increase 14 in wages paid to state employees pursuant to the most recent ratified 15 SEBAC agreement, between the state and the State Employees 16 Bargaining Agent Coalition (SEBAC), and approved pursuant to 17 subsection (f) of section 5-278 of the general statutes.

(c) On July first annually, the Commissioner of Social Services shall
adjust Medicaid rates for nonprofit human services providers
contracting with the Department of Social Services by the percentage
rate increase, if any, for state agency contracts pursuant to subsection
(b) of this section, unless such adjustment is not permissible under
federal law governing the Medicaid program.

24 (d) Not later than January 1, 2026, and every two years thereafter, the 25 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall file a report, in 26 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, 27 with the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having 28 cognizance of matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state 29 agencies, human services and public health on state agency contracts 30 with nonprofit human services providers. The report shall include, but 31 need not be limited to, an analysis of appropriations needed to ensure 32 that rates for all such contracts in subsequent fiscal years include the 33 increases described in subsection (b) of this section.

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

Section 1	from passage	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To require increases to rates for employees of nonprofit providers.

[[]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.]