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(As Amended)

"AN ACT CONCERNING PROTECTIONS FOR ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND THE EQUITABLE DELIVERY OF HEALTH CARE SERVICES IN THE STATE."

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501 (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2025*) (a) As used in this section:

4 (1) "Homelessness services" means any service relating to the
5 provision of shelter, clothing, food, sanitary facilities or any other
6 supportive service provided to (A) a homeless person, or (B) a person
7 who was previously a homeless person and is currently at risk of
8 becoming a homeless person again;

9 (2) "Nonprofit organization" means an organization that is exempt
10 from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code

11 of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the
12 United States, as amended from time to time; and

13 (6) "Homeless person" shall have the same meaning as provided in
14 section 8-355 of the general statutes.

15 (b) There is established an account to be known as the "homelessness
16 prevention services account", which shall be a separate, nonlapsing
17 account of the State Treasurer. The account shall contain any funds
18 received from any private contributions, gifts, grants, donations,
19 bequests or devises to the account and all earnings on such funds. The
20 State Treasurer shall invest the moneys deposited in the account in a
21 manner that is reasonable and appropriate to achieve the objectives of
22 such account while exercising the discretion and care of a prudent
23 person in similar circumstances with similar objectives. The State
24 Treasurer shall give due consideration to the rate of return risk, term or
25 maturity, the diversification of the total portfolio within such account,
26 the liquidity of funds, the projected disbursements and expenditures of
27 funds, and the expected payments, deposits, contributions and gifts to
28 be received. The moneys in the account shall be continuously invested
29 and reinvested in a manner consistent with the objectives of the account
30 until disbursed in accordance with this subsection. Any administrative
31 costs associated with maintenance or disbursement of moneys in the
32 account shall be paid from the account and no taxpayer funds shall pay
33 for such administrative costs, except nothing in this subsection shall
34 prohibit the State Treasurer from utilizing available staff resources to
35 administer the account. Moneys in the account shall be expended by the
36 board of trustees, established pursuant to subsection (c) of this section,
37 for the purpose of providing grants to (1) nonprofit organizations that
38 provide funding for homelessness services, or (2) nonprofit
39 organizations that provide homelessness services to homeless persons
40 in the state.

41 (c) The safe harbor account shall be administered by a board of
42 trustees consisting of the following members:

43 (1) The Treasurer, or the Treasurer's designee, who shall serve as
44 chairperson of the board of trustees; and

45 (2) Four members appointed by the Treasurer, (A) one of whom shall
46 be a provider of homelessness services in the state, (B) one of whom
47 shall have experience working with members of the homeless
48 community, (C) one of whom shall have experience working with
49 providers of homelessness services, and (D) one of whom shall have
50 experience working with providers of health care or mental health
51 services to members of the homeless community. When making such
52 appointments, the Treasurer shall use the Treasurer's best efforts to
53 ensure that the board of trustees reflects the racial, gender and
54 geographic diversity of the state.

55 (d) Not later than September 1, 2025, the board of trustees shall adopt
56 policies and procedures concerning the awarding of grants pursuant to
57 the provisions of this section. Such policies and procedures shall
58 include, but need not be limited to, (1) grant application procedures,
59 including procedures regarding subgrants, (2) eligibility criteria for
60 applicant nonprofit organizations, including, but not limited to,
61 subgrantees, and for individuals served by such grants, (3)
62 consideration of need of the individuals served by such grants, and (4)
63 procedures to coordinate with any national network created to perform
64 similar functions to those of the homelessness prevention services
65 account, including, but not limited to, procedures for the acceptance of
66 funding transferred to the homelessness prevention services account for
67 a particular use. Such policies and procedures may be updated as
68 deemed necessary by the board of trustees. In the event that the board
69 of trustees determines that the policies and procedures adopted
70 pursuant to the provisions of this subsection are inadequate with respect
71 to determining the eligibility of a certain nonprofit organization for a
72 grant, the board of trustees may make a fact-based determination as to
73 such eligibility."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Sec. 501	<i>July 1, 2025</i>	New section