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Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:

Request of the Governor Pursuant
to Joint Rule 9

**AN ACT IMPLEMENTING THE GOVERNOR'S BUDGET
RECOMMENDATIONS FOR HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES.**

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

1 Section 1. Subsection (b) of section 17b-191 of the 2026 supplement to
2 the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

4 (b) The state-administered general assistance program shall provide
5 cash assistance of [(1)] two hundred sixty-nine dollars per month [for an
6 unemployable person upon determination of such person's
7 unemployability; (2) two hundred dollars per month for a transitional
8 person who is required to pay for shelter; and (3) fifty dollars per month
9 for a transitional person who is not required to pay for shelter] to
10 persons eligible for the program. The standard of assistance paid for
11 individuals residing in rated boarding facilities shall remain at the level
12 in effect on August 31, 2003. No person shall be eligible for cash
13 assistance under the program if eligible for cash assistance under any
14 other state or federal cash assistance program. The standards of

15 assistance set forth in this subsection shall be subject to annual increases,
16 as described in subsection (b) of section 17b-104.

17 Sec. 2. Subsection (f) of section 17b-274d of the general statutes is
18 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1,*
19 *2026*):

20 (f) Nonpreferred drugs in the classes of drugs included on the
21 preferred drug lists shall be subject to prior authorization. Prior
22 authorization is not required for any mental-health-related drug that
23 has been filled or refilled, in any dosage, at least one time in the one-
24 year period prior to the date the individual presents a prescription for
25 the drug at a pharmacy. If prior authorization is granted for a drug not
26 included on a preferred drug list, the authorization shall be valid for one
27 year from the date the prescription is first filled. [Antiretroviral classes
28 of drugs shall not be included on the preferred drug lists.]

29 Sec. 3. Section 17b-597 of the general statutes is repealed and the
30 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

31 (a) The Department of Social Services shall establish and implement
32 a working persons with disabilities program to provide medical
33 assistance as authorized under 42 USC 1396a(a)(10)(A)(ii), as amended
34 from time to time, to persons who are disabled and regularly employed.

35 (b) The Commissioner of Social Services shall amend the Medicaid
36 state plan to allow persons specified in subsection (a) of this section to
37 qualify for medical assistance. The amendment shall include the
38 following requirements: (1) That the person be engaged in a substantial
39 and reasonable work effort as determined by the commissioner and as
40 permitted by federal law and have an annual adjusted gross income, as
41 defined in Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or any
42 subsequent corresponding internal revenue code of the United States,
43 as amended from time to time, of not more than eighty-five thousand
44 dollars per year; (2) a disregard of all countable income up to two
45 hundred per cent of the federal poverty level; (3) for an unmarried

46 person, an asset limit of twenty thousand dollars, and for a married
47 couple, an asset limit of thirty thousand dollars; (4) a disregard of any
48 retirement and medical savings accounts established pursuant to 26
49 USC 220 and held by either the person or the person's spouse; (5) a
50 disregard of any moneys in accounts designated by the person or the
51 person's spouse for the purpose of purchasing goods or services that
52 will increase the employability of such person, subject to approval by
53 the commissioner; (6) a disregard of spousal income solely for purposes
54 of determination of eligibility; and (7) a contribution of any countable
55 income of the person or the person's spouse which exceeds two hundred
56 per cent of the federal poverty level, as adjusted for the appropriate
57 family size, equal to ten per cent of the excess minus any premiums paid
58 from income for health insurance by any family member, but which
59 does not exceed the maximum contribution allowable under Section
60 201(a)(3) of Public Law 106-170, as amended from time to time.

61 [(c) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b) of this section,
62 on and after July 1, 2026, the commissioner shall phase in the elimination
63 of income and asset limits for a participant in the program over four
64 fiscal years by annually increasing (1) the income limit prescribed in
65 subdivision (1) of subsection (b) of this section by ten thousand dollars,
66 and (2) the asset limit prescribed in subdivision (3) of subsection (b) of
67 this section by ten thousand dollars for an unmarried person and fifteen
68 thousand dollars for a married couple. On and after July 1, 2029, there
69 shall be no income or asset limit for eligibility for the program.]

70 [(d)] (c) The Commissioner of Social Services shall implement the
71 policies and procedures necessary to carry out the provisions of this
72 section while in the process of adopting such policies and procedures in
73 regulation form, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is
74 posted on the eRegulations System in accordance with section 17b-10.
75 The commissioner shall define "countable income" for purposes of
76 subsection (b) of this section which shall take into account impairment-
77 related work expenses as defined in the Social Security Act. Such
78 policies and procedures shall be valid until the time final regulations are

79 effective.

80 Sec. 4. Subdivision (1) of subsection (h) of section 17b-340 of the 2026
81 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
82 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2026*):

83 (h) (1) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care
84 facility for individuals with intellectual disabilities with an operating
85 cost component of its rate in excess of one hundred forty per cent of the
86 median of operating cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992,
87 shall not receive an operating cost component increase. For the fiscal
88 year ending June 30, 1993, any intermediate care facility for individuals
89 with intellectual disabilities with an operating cost component of its rate
90 that is less than one hundred forty per cent of the median of operating
91 cost components of rates in effect January 1, 1992, shall have an
92 allowance for real wage growth equal to thirty per cent of the increase
93 determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the
94 regulations of Connecticut state agencies, provided such operating cost
95 component shall not exceed one hundred forty per cent of the median
96 of operating cost components in effect January 1, 1992. Any facility with
97 real property other than land placed in service prior to October 1, 1991,
98 shall, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1995, receive a rate of return on
99 real property equal to the average of the rates of return applied to real
100 property other than land placed in service for the five years preceding
101 October 1, 1993. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any
102 succeeding fiscal year, the rate of return on real property for property
103 items shall be revised every five years. The commissioner shall, upon
104 submission of a request, allow actual debt service, comprised of
105 principal and interest, in excess of property costs allowed pursuant to
106 section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies,
107 provided such debt service terms and amounts are reasonable in
108 relation to the useful life and the base value of the property. For the fiscal
109 year ending June 30, 1995, and any succeeding fiscal year, the inflation
110 adjustment made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52
111 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies shall not be applied to

112 real property costs. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any
113 succeeding fiscal year, the allowance for real wage growth, as
114 determined in accordance with subsection (q) of section 17-311-52 of the
115 regulations of Connecticut state agencies, shall not be applied. For the
116 fiscal year ending June 30, 1996, and any succeeding fiscal year, no rate
117 shall exceed three hundred seventy-five dollars per day unless the
118 commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of
119 Developmental Services, determines after a review of program and
120 management costs, that a rate in excess of this amount is necessary for
121 care and treatment of facility residents. For the fiscal year ending June
122 30, 2002, rate period, the Commissioner of Social Services shall increase
123 the inflation adjustment for rates made in accordance with subsection
124 (p) of section 17-311-52 of the regulations of Connecticut state agencies
125 to update allowable fiscal year 2000 costs to include a three and one-half
126 per cent inflation factor. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, rate
127 period, the commissioner shall increase the inflation adjustment for
128 rates made in accordance with subsection (p) of section 17-311-52 of the
129 regulations of Connecticut state agencies to update allowable fiscal year
130 2001 costs to include a one and one-half per cent inflation factor, except
131 that such increase shall be effective November 1, 2002, and such facility
132 rate in effect for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2002, shall be paid for
133 services provided until October 31, 2002, except any facility that would
134 have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2002, than for the fiscal
135 year ending June 30, 2002, due to interim rate status or agreement with
136 the department shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2002, and
137 have such rate updated effective November 1, 2002, in accordance with
138 applicable statutes and regulations. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
139 2004, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2003, shall remain in
140 effect, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate
141 effective July 1, 2003, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, due
142 to interim rate status or agreement with the department shall be issued
143 such lower rate effective July 1, 2003. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
144 2005, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2004, shall remain in
145 effect until September 30, 2004. Effective October 1, 2004, each facility

146 shall receive a rate that is five per cent greater than the rate in effect
147 September 30, 2004. Effective upon receipt of all the necessary federal
148 approvals to secure federal financial participation matching funds
149 associated with the rate increase provided in subdivision (4) of
150 subsection (f) of this section, but in no event earlier than October 1, 2005,
151 and provided the user fee imposed under section 17b-320 is required to
152 be collected, each facility shall receive a rate that is four per cent more
153 than the rate the facility received in the prior fiscal year, except any
154 facility that would have been issued a lower rate effective October 1,
155 2005, than for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2005, due to interim rate
156 status or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate
157 effective October 1, 2005. Such rate increase shall remain in effect unless:
158 (A) The federal financial participation matching funds associated with
159 the rate increase are no longer available; or (B) the user fee created
160 pursuant to section 17b-320 is not in effect. For the fiscal year ending
161 June 30, 2007, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2006, shall
162 remain in effect until September 30, 2006, except any facility that would
163 have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2006, than for the fiscal
164 year ending June 30, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with
165 the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2006.
166 Effective October 1, 2006, no facility shall receive a rate that is more than
167 three per cent greater than the rate in effect for the facility on September
168 30, 2006, except any facility that would have been issued a lower rate
169 effective October 1, 2006, due to interim rate status or agreement with
170 the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective October 1, 2006.
171 For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2008, each facility shall receive a rate
172 that is two and nine-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect for the
173 period ending June 30, 2007, except any facility that would have been
174 issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2007, than for the rate period ending
175 June 30, 2007, due to interim rate status, or agreement with the
176 department, shall be issued such lower rate effective July 1, 2007. For the
177 fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, rates in effect for the period ending June
178 30, 2008, shall remain in effect until June 30, 2009, except any facility that
179 would have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30,

180 2009, due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall
181 be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2010, and
182 June 30, 2011, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2009, shall
183 remain in effect until June 30, 2011, except any facility that would have
184 been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010, or the
185 fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, due to interim rate status or agreement
186 with the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal year
187 ending June 30, 2012, rates in effect for the period ending June 30, 2011,
188 shall remain in effect until June 30, 2012, except any facility that would
189 have been issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2012,
190 due to interim rate status or agreement with the department, shall be
191 issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and
192 June 30, 2015, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the period ending
193 June 30, 2013, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the
194 rate paid to the facility for the period ending June 30, 2013, if a capital
195 improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services,
196 in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or
197 safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year
198 ending June 30, 2014, or June 30, 2015, to the extent such rate increases
199 are within available appropriations. Any facility that would have been
200 issued a lower rate for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014, or the fiscal
201 year ending June 30, 2015, due to interim rate status or agreement with
202 the department, shall be issued such lower rate. For the fiscal years
203 ending June 30, 2016, and June 30, 2017, rates shall not exceed those in
204 effect for the period ending June 30, 2015, except the rate paid to a
205 facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for the period
206 ending June 30, 2015, if a capital improvement approved by the
207 Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the
208 Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents
209 was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2016, or
210 June 30, 2017, to the extent such rate increases are within available
211 appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2016, and June 30,
212 2017, and each succeeding fiscal year, any facility that would have been
213 issued a lower rate, due to interim rate status, a change in allowable fair

214 rent or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate.
215 For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2018, and June 30, 2019, rates shall
216 not exceed those in effect for the period ending June 30, 2017, except the
217 rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate paid to the facility for
218 the period ending June 30, 2017, if a capital improvement approved by
219 the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with the
220 Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the residents
221 was made to the facility during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018, or
222 June 30, 2019, only to the extent such rate increases are within available
223 appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2020, and June 30,
224 2021, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year ending June
225 30, 2019, except the rate paid to a facility may be higher than the rate
226 paid to the facility for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2019, if a capital
227 improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services,
228 in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or
229 safety of the residents was made to the facility during the fiscal year
230 ending June 30, 2020, or June 30, 2021, only to the extent such rate
231 increases are within available appropriations. For the fiscal year ending
232 June 30, 2022, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal year
233 ending June 30, 2021, except the commissioner may, in the
234 commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide
235 pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent
236 additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30,
237 2020, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal year
238 ending June 30, 2023, rates shall not exceed those in effect for the fiscal
239 year ending June 30, 2022, except the commissioner may, in the
240 commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide
241 pro rata fair rent increases to facilities which have documented fair rent
242 additions placed in service in the cost report year ending September 30,
243 2021, that are not otherwise included in rates issued. For the fiscal years
244 ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023, a facility may receive a rate
245 increase for a capital improvement approved by the Department of
246 Developmental Services, in consultation with the Department of Social
247 Services, for the health or safety of the residents during the fiscal year

248 ending June 30, 2022, or June 30, 2023, only to the extent such rate
249 increases are within available appropriations. There shall be no increase
250 to rates based on inflation or any inflationary factor for the fiscal years
251 ending June 30, 2022, and June 30, 2023. Notwithstanding any other
252 provisions of this chapter, any subsequent increase to allowable
253 operating costs, excluding fair rent, shall be inflated by the gross
254 domestic product deflator when funding is specifically appropriated for
255 such purposes in the enacted budget. The rate of inflation shall be
256 computed by comparing the most recent rate year to the average of the
257 gross domestic product deflator for the previous four fiscal quarters
258 ending March thirty-first. Any increase to rates based on inflation shall
259 be applied prior to the application of any other budget adjustment
260 factors that may impact such rates. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
261 2024, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2022 cost
262 report filings subject to the provisions of this section, adjusted to reflect
263 any rate increases provided after the cost report year ending June 30,
264 2022, and with the addition of a two per cent adjustment factor. No
265 facility shall receive a rate less than the rate in effect for the fiscal year
266 ending June 30, 2023. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, the
267 minimum per diem, per bed rate shall remain at five hundred one
268 dollars for a residential facility licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and
269 certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an
270 intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disability.
271 There shall be no increase to rates based on any inflationary factor for
272 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
273 2024, and each subsequent fiscal year, the commissioner may, in the
274 commissioner's discretion and within available appropriations, provide
275 pro rata fair rent increases to facilities that have documented fair rent
276 additions placed in service in the cost report years that are not otherwise
277 included in rates issued. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025, the
278 department shall determine facility rates based upon 2023 cost report
279 filings subject to the provisions of this section, adjusted to reflect any
280 rate increases provided after the cost report ending June 30, 2023. A
281 facility may receive a rate that is less than the rate in effect for the fiscal

282 year ending June 30, 2024, but shall not receive a rate less than the
283 minimum per diem, per bed rate. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
284 2025, the minimum per diem, per bed rate shall remain at five hundred
285 one dollars for a residential facility licensed pursuant to section 17a-227
286 and certified to participate in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an
287 intermediate care facility for individuals with intellectual disability.
288 There shall be no increase to rates based on any inflationary factor for
289 the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025. For the fiscal year ending June 30,
290 2026, the department shall determine facility rates based upon 2024 cost
291 report filings subject to the provisions of this section, adjusted to reflect
292 any rate increases provided after the cost report ending June 30, 2024.
293 Additionally, the facility shall receive a rate that is one and four-tenths
294 per cent greater than the calculated rate, except that any facility that
295 would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2025, due to interim
296 rate status, or agreement with the department, shall be issued such
297 lower rate effective July 1, 2025. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026,
298 there shall be no minimum per diem, per bed rate for a residential
299 facility licensed pursuant to section 17a-227 and certified to participate
300 in the Title XIX Medicaid program as an intermediate care facility for
301 individuals with intellectual disability. There shall be no increase to
302 rates based on any inflationary factor for the fiscal year ending June 30,
303 2026. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, each facility shall receive
304 a rate that is [two] five and eight-tenths per cent greater than the rate in
305 effect for the period ending June 30, 2026, except that any facility that
306 would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2026, than the rate
307 for the period ending June 30, 2027, due to interim rate status, or
308 agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective
309 July 1, 2026. For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2028, each facility shall
310 receive a rate that is [three] six and three-tenths per cent greater than the
311 rate in effect for the period ending June 30, 2027, except that any facility
312 that would have been issued a lower rate effective July 1, 2027, than the
313 rate for the period ending June 30, 2027, due to interim rate status, or
314 agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate effective
315 July 1, 2027. Effective January 1, 2028, each facility shall receive a rate

316 that is ~~[three]~~ six and three-tenths per cent greater than the rate in effect
317 for the period ending December 31, 2027, except that any facility that
318 would have been issued a lower rate effective January 1, 2028, than the
319 rate for the period ending December 31, 2027, due to interim rate status,
320 or agreement with the department, shall be issued such lower rate
321 effective January 1, 2028. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, and
322 June 30, 2025, a facility may receive a rate increase for a capital
323 improvement approved by the Department of Developmental Services,
324 in consultation with the Department of Social Services, for the health or
325 safety of the residents during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024, or
326 June 30, 2025, only to the extent such rate increases are within available
327 appropriations. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2026, and June 30,
328 2027, a facility may receive a rate increase for a capital improvement
329 approved by the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation
330 with the Department of Social Services, for the health or safety of the
331 residents during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2026, or June 30, 2027,
332 only to the extent such rate increases are within available
333 appropriations. Any facility that has a significant decrease in land and
334 building costs shall receive a reduced rate to reflect such decrease in
335 land and building costs. For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, June
336 30, 2013, June 30, 2014, June 30, 2015, June 30, 2016, June 30, 2017, June
337 30, 2018, June 30, 2019, June 30, 2020, June 30, 2021, June 30, 2022, June
338 30, 2023, June 30, 2024, June 30, 2025, June 30, 2026, and June 30, 2027,
339 the Commissioner of Social Services may provide fair rent increases to
340 any facility that has undergone a material change in circumstances
341 related to fair rent and has an approved certificate of need pursuant to
342 section 17b-352, 17b-353, 17b-354 or 17b-355. The Department of Social
343 Services shall amend the regulations of Connecticut state agencies to
344 allow for the waiver of the separate inflation cost limitation on direct
345 care costs when rebasing rates for intermediate care facilities for
346 individuals with intellectual disabilities after the fiscal year ending June
347 30, 2027. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the
348 Commissioner of Social Services may, within available appropriations,
349 increase or decrease rates issued to intermediate care facilities for

350 individuals with intellectual disabilities to reflect a reduction in
351 available appropriations as provided in subsection (a) of this section.
352 For the fiscal years ending June 30, 2014, and June 30, 2015, the
353 commissioner shall not consider rebasing in determining rates.
354 Notwithstanding the provisions of this subsection, effective July 1, 2021,
355 and July 1, 2022, the commissioner shall, within available
356 appropriations, increase rates for the purpose of wage and benefit
357 enhancements for employees of intermediate care facilities. Facilities
358 that receive a rate adjustment for the purpose of wage and benefit
359 enhancements but do not provide increases in employee salaries as
360 described in this subsection on or before July 31, 2021, and July 31, 2022,
361 respectively, may be subject to a rate decrease in the same amount as the
362 adjustment by the commissioner.

363 Sec. 5. Section 332 of public act 25-168 is repealed and the following
364 is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

365 Notwithstanding the provisions of section 17b-340d of the general
366 statutes, the Commissioner of Social Services shall, within available
367 appropriations, increase nursing home facility rates to support wage
368 increases for [nursing] licensed nurses engaged solely in direct patient
369 care services and supports and not employed in administrative
370 functions, nurse's aide, dietary, housekeeping, laundry and
371 maintenance and plant operation personnel of three per cent effective
372 July 1, 2025, three per cent effective July 1, 2026, and four per cent
373 effective January 1, 2027. Facilities that receive a rate adjustment for
374 wage enhancements for employees but do not provide such
375 enhancements may be subject to a rate decrease in the same amount as
376 the adjustment.

377 Sec. 6. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2026*) (a) The Commissioner of Social
378 Services may periodically review available data on the clinical
379 effectiveness of outpatient prescription drugs covered under the
380 Medicaid program that are projected to exceed (1) a net cost per
381 consumer, after factoring in rebates, of twenty-five thousand dollars per

382 year, or (2) an annual aggregate cost, after factoring in rebates, to the
 383 medical assistance program of ten million dollars. The commissioner
 384 may, within available appropriations, contract with a third party to
 385 conduct a comparative effectiveness review of any such prescription
 386 drug. For purposes of this section, "rebate" means an amount sent to the
 387 state by a prescription drug manufacturer to offset the cost of outpatient
 388 prescription drugs covered by the Medicaid program.

389 (b) Any such comparative effectiveness review shall include, but
 390 need not be limited to: (1) Clinical efficacy and outcomes; (2)
 391 information relating to the pricing of the prescription drug, including,
 392 but not limited to, information relating to prices paid by other states or
 393 developed nations; (3) the prescription drug's net price to the Medicaid
 394 program as compared to its therapeutic benefits, including, but not
 395 limited to, the seriousness and prevalence of the disease or condition
 396 that is treated by the prescription drug; (4) the extent of utilization of the
 397 prescription drug; (5) the likelihood that the use of the prescription drug
 398 will reduce the need for other medical care; (6) the number of
 399 manufacturers that produce the prescription drug; and (7) whether
 400 there are pharmaceutical equivalents of the prescription drug.

401 (c) The results of any comparative effectiveness review may be made
 402 public and shared with any entity or any multistate prescription drug
 403 purchasing collaborative of which Connecticut is a member state to help
 404 negotiate additional supplemental rebate agreements beyond any
 405 rebates required under federal law.

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

Section 1	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	17b-191(b)
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	17b-274d(f)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	17b-597
Sec. 4	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	17b-340(h)(1)
Sec. 5	<i>from passage</i>	PA 25-168, Sec. 332
Sec. 6	<i>July 1, 2026</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To implement the Governor's budget recommendations.

[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.]