

General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 7231

LCO No. **4220**

Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT EXPANDING THE ADULT FAMILY LIVING-FOSTER CARE PROGRAM TO PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2019) (a) For purposes of this 2 section, (1) "Adult Family Living-Foster Care" means a program by 3 which a participant in the Connecticut home-care program for the 4 elderly or the personal care attendant Medicaid waiver program 5 receives personal care and support services from a principal caregiver 6 who (A) lives with such participant in a private home, and (B) receives 7 a stipend for the provision of such services, and (2) "eligible person 8 with intellectual disabilities" means a Medicaid-eligible person 9 eighteen to sixty-four years of age with intellectual disabilities that 10 hinder two activities of daily living, including, but not limited to, 11 dressing, eating and bathing.

(b) The Commissioner of Social Services, in consultation with the
Commissioner of Developmental Services, shall expand the Adult
Family Living-Foster Care program to include certain persons with
intellectual disabilities.

(c) The Commissioner of Social Services shall adopt regulations to 16 17 implement the provisions of this section, including, but not limited to, 18 requirements for training and oversight of caregivers, levels of care to 19 be provided, and stipends caregivers will receive per level of care. The 20 commissioner may implement policies and procedures in advance of 21 regulations, provided such policies and procedures are published on 22 the eRegulations System Internet web site not less than twenty days 23 before such implementation.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:Section 1July 1, 2019New section

Statement of Purpose:

To expand a foster care program currently being offered to elderly persons and persons with certain disabilities to persons with intellectual disabilities.

[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.]