



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 834

LCO No. 4013



Referred to Committee on HUMAN SERVICES

Introduced by:
(HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING SERVICES FOR PERSONS WITH SMITH-MAGENIS SYNDROME.

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) For purposes of this section,
2 "Smith-Magenis Syndrome" means a genetically based, developmental
3 disorder that includes, but is not limited to, mild to moderate
4 intellectual disability, delayed speech and language skills, distinctive
5 facial features, sleep disturbances and behavioral problems.

6 (b) The Commissioner of Developmental Services, in consultation
7 with the Commissioners of Early Childhood, Education, Mental Health
8 and Addiction Services, Public Health and Social Services, shall study
9 whether children with Smith-Magenis Syndrome are receiving
10 adequate services, including, but not limited to, early intervention,
11 special education and other supportive services. The commissioner
12 shall develop recommendations as necessary to improve such services.

13 (c) Not later than January 15, 2020, the commissioner shall report on
14 the results of the study in accordance with the provisions of section 11-

15 4a of the general statutes to the joint standing committees of the
16 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to children,
17 education, public health and human services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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Statement of Purpose:

To require a study of what state services are being offered and may be available to children suffering from Smith-Magenis Syndrome.

[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.]