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Proposed Bill No. 835

LCO No. 2262



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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:

SEN. HARDING, 30th Dist.
SEN. MARTIN, 31st Dist.
SEN. SAMPSON, 16th Dist.
SEN. CICARELLA, 34th Dist.
SEN. SOMERS, 18th Dist.

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SEN. BERTHEL, 32nd Dist.
SEN. FAZIO, 36th Dist.
SEN. GORDON, 35th Dist.
SEN. KISSEL, 7th Dist.

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE REVITALIZATION AND
STRENGTHENING OF THE STATE'S HEALTH CARE SYSTEM TO
PROMOTE HEALTH CARE QUALITY AND AFFORDABILITY.**

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to (1) authorize association
2 health plans, (2) establish a working group to make recommendations
3 to overhaul health care statutes in pursuit of health care realignment,
4 including a new mandate review process, (3) eliminate all certificate of
5 need requirements for outpatient and inpatient expansion of services,
6 except for certificate of need requirements relating to (A) the expansion
7 of radiology equipment, (B) any outpatient or inpatient reduction or
8 elimination of services, and (C) hospital transfers of ownership, (4)
9 require public notices and public hearings as part of the certificate of
10 need application process, (5) require the Office of Health Strategy's
11 Health Systems Planning Unit to issue decisions on certificate of need
12 applications not later than one hundred twenty days after an application

13 is submitted to the unit, (6) establish checkpoints in the Insurance
14 Department's rate approval process, (7) require a study of insurance
15 companies' ability to provide tiered products, including a plan based on
16 the federal essential health benefits standard, and (8) evaluate the need
17 for a federal waiver to offer other tiered and catastrophic insurance
18 plans.

Statement of Purpose:

To create a sustainable, patient-centered health care system that improves outcomes for all state residents.