

Substitute Bill No. 976

January Session, 2019



AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY REIMBURSEMENT RATES PAID BY HEALTH CARRIERS TO HOSPITALS.

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

- 1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a task force
- 2 to study reimbursement rates paid by health carriers to hospitals.
- 3 (b) The task force shall consist of the following members:
- 4 (1) Two appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;
- 5 (2) Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate;
- 6 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
- 7 Representatives;
- 8 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate;
- 9 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
- 10 Representatives;
- 11 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate;
- 12 (7) The Insurance Commissioner, or the commissioner's designee;
- 13 (8) The Commissioner of Social Services, or the commissioner's

- 14 designee;
- 15 (9) The executive director of the Office of Health Strategy, or the 16 executive director's designee; and
- 17 (10) Two persons appointed by the Governor, one of whom shall be 18 selected by the Connecticut Hospital Association.
- (c) Any member of the task force appointed under subdivision (1),
 (2), (3), (4), (5) or (6) of subsection (b) of this section may be a member
 of the General Assembly.
- 22 (d) All appointments to the task force shall be made not later than 23 thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be 24 filled by the appointing authority.
- (e) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the task force from among the members of the task force. Such chairpersons shall schedule the first meeting of the task force, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.
- 30 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the 31 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to insurance 32 shall serve as administrative staff of the task force.
- 33 (g) Not later than January 1, 2020, the task force shall submit a 34 report on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing 35 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters 36 relating to insurance, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-37 4a of the general statutes. The task force shall terminate on the date 38 that it submits such report or January 1, 2020, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following			
sections:			
Section 1	from passage	New section	

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