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Legislative Impact Statement

To: Chairperson Stephen M. Casey
House Health, & Human Services Committee

From: Bob Cooper, Executive Secretary *BC*

Re: 21 House 5153 AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - RHODE ISLAND
PATHWAYS PROJECT

Friday, February 19, 2021

The Governor's Commission on Disabilities' Legislation Committee has developed a Legislative Impact Statement on the bill listed below. The Commission would be pleased to present testimony to the committee. Please contact me (462-0102) if testimony is desired or for additional information.

Introduced By Representative Bennett

This act would require the executive office of health and human services (EOHHS) to conduct a study to assess the impact of using Medicaid funds to provide coverage for the treatment of the chronically homeless.

This act would take effect upon passage.

Legislation Committee finds this bill Beneficial if amended

Rather than studying the impact of using Medicaid funding of treatment of chronic homelessness, the bill should direct the Executive Office of Health and Human Services to submit a Medicaid Plan Amendment to include serving persons who are chronically homeless.

cc: Representative Bennett
Ryan Erickson, Governor's Office on Legislative Affairs