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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

AN ACT

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES - MEDICAL ASSISTANCE - LONG-TERM CARE SERVICE AND FINANCE REFORM

<u>Introduced By:</u> Representatives McNamara, Ruggiero, Solomon, Vella-Wilkinson, and Carson

Date Introduced: February 07, 2018

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 40-8.9-6 of the General Laws in Chapter 40-8.9 entitled "Medical 2 Assistance - Long-Term Care Service and Finance Reform" is hereby amended to read as 3 follows: 4 40-8.9-6. Reporting. Recognizing long-term reform performance - Reporting. 5 (a) Annual performance reports showing progress in long-term-care system reform and 6 rebalancing shall be submitted by April 1st of each year by the executive office of health and 7 human services to the joint legislative committee on health care oversight as well as the finance 8 committees of both the senate and the house of representatives and the long-term care coordinating council shall include: 9 10 (1) the The number of Medicaid-eligible persons aged sixty-five (65) years and over and 11 adults with disabilities served in nursing facilities; 12 (2) the The number of Medicaid-eligible persons aged sixty-five (65) years and over and adults with disabilities transitioned from nursing homes to Medicaid supported home-and 13 14 community-based care; 15 (3) the The number of persons aged sixty-five (65) years and over and adults with 16 disabilities served in Medicaid and division of elderly affairs home and community care, to

include home care, adult day services, assisted living, the Personal Choice program, the Program

of All-Inclusive Care of the Elderly (PACE) and shared living;

1	(4) the The dollar amounts and percent of expenditures spent on nursing facility care and
2	home- and community-based care for those aged sixty-five (65) years and over and adults with
3	disabilities and the average cost of care for nursing facility care and home and community-based
4	<u>care;</u>
5	(5) The amount of savings attributed to the value of the reduction in nursing home days
6	including hospice nursing home days paid for by Medicaid in accordance with § 40-8.9-4 and
7	how the savings, if any, are allocated in the current fiscal year and in the proposed budget for the
8	ensuing fiscal year to promote and strengthen community-based alternatives; and
9	(6) and estimates Estimates of the continued investments necessary to provide stability to
10	the existing system and establish the infrastructure and programs required to achieve systemwide
11	reform and the targeted goal of spending fifty percent (50%) of Medicaid long-term care dollars
12	on nursing facility care and fifty percent (50%) on home- and community-based services.
13	(b) Beginning in 2019, to measure and show progress in achieving the state's goals for
14	long-term services and supports reform, the executive office of health and human services shall
15	develop and make public on its website a long-term services and supports performance scorecard
16	based on the measures detailed in subsections (a)(1) through (a)(5) of this section showing data
17	for the most recent four (4) year period.
18	SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

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1	This act would establish a public scorecard system to show how long-term care reform is
2	meeting its goals of rebalancing the way services are delivered and moneys are spent on various
3	service types.
4	This act would take effect upon passage.
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