

Subject Integrated community supports

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Overview

This bill establishes an integrated community supports legislative study group, prohibits the commissioner of human services from implementing changes to integrated community supports until the legislative study group has submitted its transition plan to the legislature, and directs the commissioner to terminate integrated community supports effective June 30, 2028, or upon federal approval, whichever is later.

Integrated community supports provide support and training/habilitation in the following community living service categories:

- Community participation;
- Health, safety, and wellness;
- Household management; and
- Adaptive skills.

Services are provided under the Medical Assistance (MA) disability waivers to eligible adults aged 18 and older who reside in a living unit of a provider-controlled integrated community supports setting. Services can be delivered up to 24 hours per day in the person's home or in the community.

Integrated community supports has been designated a high-risk service by the Department of Human Services.

Summary

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1	Integrated community supports legislative study group. Establishes an integrated community supports legislative study group to develop a transition plan to replace integrated community supports with a new service or services. Lays out the membership and duties of the study group. Requires the department of human services to cooperate with the study group and provide
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requested information in a timely fashion. Requires the Legislative Coordinating Commission to provide meeting space, technical and administrative support, and staff support for the study group. Requires the study group to consult with interested and affected stakeholders. Requires the study group to submit a final transition plan to the legislature by December 31, 2026. Provides that the study group expires on December 31, 2026, or on the date upon which the final transition plan is submitted to the legislature, whichever is later.

Provides an immediate effective date.

2 **Direction to commissioner; integrated community supports.**

Prohibits the commissioner of human services from implementing any changes to integrated community supports until the study group has submitted its transition plan to the legislature and the legislature has reviewed the plan. Specifies this prohibition does not preclude the commissioner from conducting program integrity activities or sanctioning integrated community supports providers under the statute that governs MA sanctions.

3 **Integrated community supports termination.**

Requires the commissioner of human services to terminate integrated community supports provided under the MA disability waivers and replace integrated community supports with a new service developed by the integrated community supports legislative study group effective June 30, 2028, or upon federal approval, whichever is later.



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