

2023-2024 General Assembly

## HOUSE BILL 259: 2023 Appropriations Act, Sec. 9E.18: Relatives Providing Care to Minors on the Innovations Waiver

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| Analysis of:   | Sec. 9E.18 of S.L. 2023-134 |              | Staff Attorney    |

OVERVIEW: Section 9E.18 of S.L. 2023-134 directs the Department of Health and Human Services to seek federal approval to allow Community Living and Support services provided through the Innovations waiver to be provided by a relative living in the same house as the individual receiving the service, even if the individual is under the age of 18. This makes permanent a temporary policy allowed during the COVID-19 public health emergency under which family members could provide services to minors on the Innovations waiver when no other provider is available to provide the services, in the same manner as has been allowed for adults on the Innovations waiver.

This section of the act became effective July 1, 2023.

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