

SENATE BILL 274: Study Indep. Older Adult Svs.

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OVERVIEW: Senate Bill 274 would direct the Department of Health and Human Services to study the array of services available to older adults who live independently but need services to support and maintain their independence.

BILL ANALYSIS: The bill would direct DHHS to study the array of services available to older adults who live independently but need services to support and maintain their independence, including the following:

- In-home companion, sitter, and respite care services.
- Meal preparation, cleaning and organizing, caring for pets, and other home management services.
- Grocery shopping, retail shopping, and pickup and drop-off of items such as library materials, mail, and donations.
- Transportation to and from medical appointments, social events, and community activities.

DHHS must report its recommendations, including any proposed legislation to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human Services by September 1, 2024.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This act would be effective when it becomes law.

