

Amend SB 2138 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Using existing resources, the Health and Human Services Commission shall study the feasibility of extending the private duty nursing benefit to individuals that have aged out of the Star Kids program. In determining the feasibility of continuing the benefit as a Medicaid covered service, the commission shall determine potential cost savings, impact on the health outcomes of these individuals, impacts related to hospitalizations and institutionalizations, and sufficient utilization controls that restrict continued access to individuals with a functional or clinical need.

Not later than December 1, 2019, the Health and Human Services Commission shall submit a report containing the commission's findings and recommendations to the governor, the Legislative Budget Board, and the standing committees of the senate and the house of representatives with primary jurisdiction over Health and Human Services.