

FOR THE CONSENT CALENDAR

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SB 137-FN, relative to hospital stays covered under the state Medicaid plan.

Ought to Pass with Amendment, Vote 5-0.

Senator Suzanne Prentiss for the committee.

This bill directs the Department of Health and Human Services to establish an administrative day rate and swing bed rate for certain types of hospital stays, including minimum stays under the state Medicaid program for mothers of newborns experiencing neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome. This bill is intended to assist in implementing the evidence based eat-sleep-console treatment for newborns who were exposed to opioids while in utero. A committee amendment was adopted to ensure this bill is applying to this specific population of patients.