
OLR Bill Analysis

sSB 326

AN ACT CONCERNING HUSKY C ASSET LIMITS.

SUMMARY

This bill expands eligibility for Connecticut’s HUSKY C program, which provides Medicaid coverage to qualifying residents who are (1) at least age 65 or (2) ages 18 to 64 and disabled or blind. It does so by increasing and then eliminating the program’s asset limit over a five-year period as shown in the table below.

Table: HUSKY C Asset Limits Under the Bill

<i>Fiscal Year</i>	<i>Single Person</i>	<i>Married Couple</i>
Current Law	\$1,600	\$2,400
FY 28	10,000	15,000
FY 29	25,000	40,000
FY 30	75,000	100,000
FY 31	100,000	150,000
FYs 32 and after	Asset Limits Eliminated	

The bill also requires the commissioner to allow anyone whose income exceeds HUSKY C income limits, but who otherwise qualifies for the program, to qualify by spending down their excess income on medical bills according to federal Medicaid law on income eligibility determinations for medically needy individuals.

Additionally, the bill requires the commissioner to annually report, by July 1, 2027, until July 1, 2032, to the Appropriations and Human Services committees on (1) the number of people eligible for HUSKY C the prior fiscal year, (2) how many people ineligible for the program exceeded the asset limit, and by how much; (3) projections from available data on how many people would qualify for HUSKY C in the next fiscal year based on that year’s increased asset limit; and (4) any increased or projected state costs attributed to changing the asset limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2026

BACKGROUND

Related Bill

HB 5302, favorably reported by the Aging Committee, requires DSS to increase HUSKY C asset limits to \$5,000 for a single person and \$7,500 for a married couple.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable Substitute

Yea 16 Nay 6 (03/19/2026)