

An Act relating to state contracts; prohibiting discrimination by the Department of Human Services against certain organizations in contracting for provision of goods, services, or disbursements to recipients; prohibiting imposition of certain contract conditions or discouragement of certain freedoms; requiring certain nondiscrimination statements on certain documents and nondiscriminatory treatment with respect to certain listings and processes; requiring review and revision of rules and internal procedures to require equal consideration for inclusion in specified processes; requiring certain reasonable effort to achieve equity of recipient access among providers; declaring independence of organizations with regard to certain matters; prohibiting the Department of Human Services from requiring certain actions of contractors or prospective contractors; providing opportunity for recipient objection to provision of services by certain organization, alternative thereto, and notice of right to object and objection procedures; prohibiting certain provider discrimination against recipients; prohibiting expenditures for certain purposes; making exception thereto; providing for certain accounting and auditing equity; restricting audits under certain circumstances; providing for statutory construction with respect to employment practices by certain organizations; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.