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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 109

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Directing the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission to study cost-effective care for individuals with intellectual disabilities. Report.

Patrons—Campbell, R.R., Avoli and Wilt; Senator: Hanger

Referred to Committee on Rules

WHEREAS, the American Network of Community Options and Resources (ANCOR Foundation) awarded the state of Arizona a number one ranking in states' efforts to serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the ANCOR Foundation ranked the Commonwealth number 39 in efforts to serve individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commonwealth should prioritize providing cost-effective care for individuals with intellectual disabilities; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission be directed to study cost-effective care for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

In conducting its study, the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall analyze the Commonwealth's per capita cost of care for individuals with intellectual disabilities; compare per capita cost of services and cost-effective methods used by other states to provide services for individuals with intellectual disabilities; and make recommendations regarding how the Commonwealth can reduce such costs or make more efficient use of the services provided for individuals with intellectual disabilities to increase its efficiency in the provision of such care and services.

All agencies of the Commonwealth shall provide assistance to the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission for this study, upon request.

The Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission shall complete its meetings by November 30, 2020, and the chairman shall submit to the Division of Legislative Automated Systems an executive summary of its findings and recommendations no later than the first day of the 2021 Regular Session of the General Assembly. The executive summary shall state whether the Joint Legislative Audit and Review Commission intends to submit to the General Assembly and the Governor a report of its findings and recommendations for publication as a House or Senate document. The executive summary and report shall be submitted as provided in the procedures of the Division of Legislative Automated Systems for the processing of legislative documents and reports and shall be posted on the General Assembly's website.