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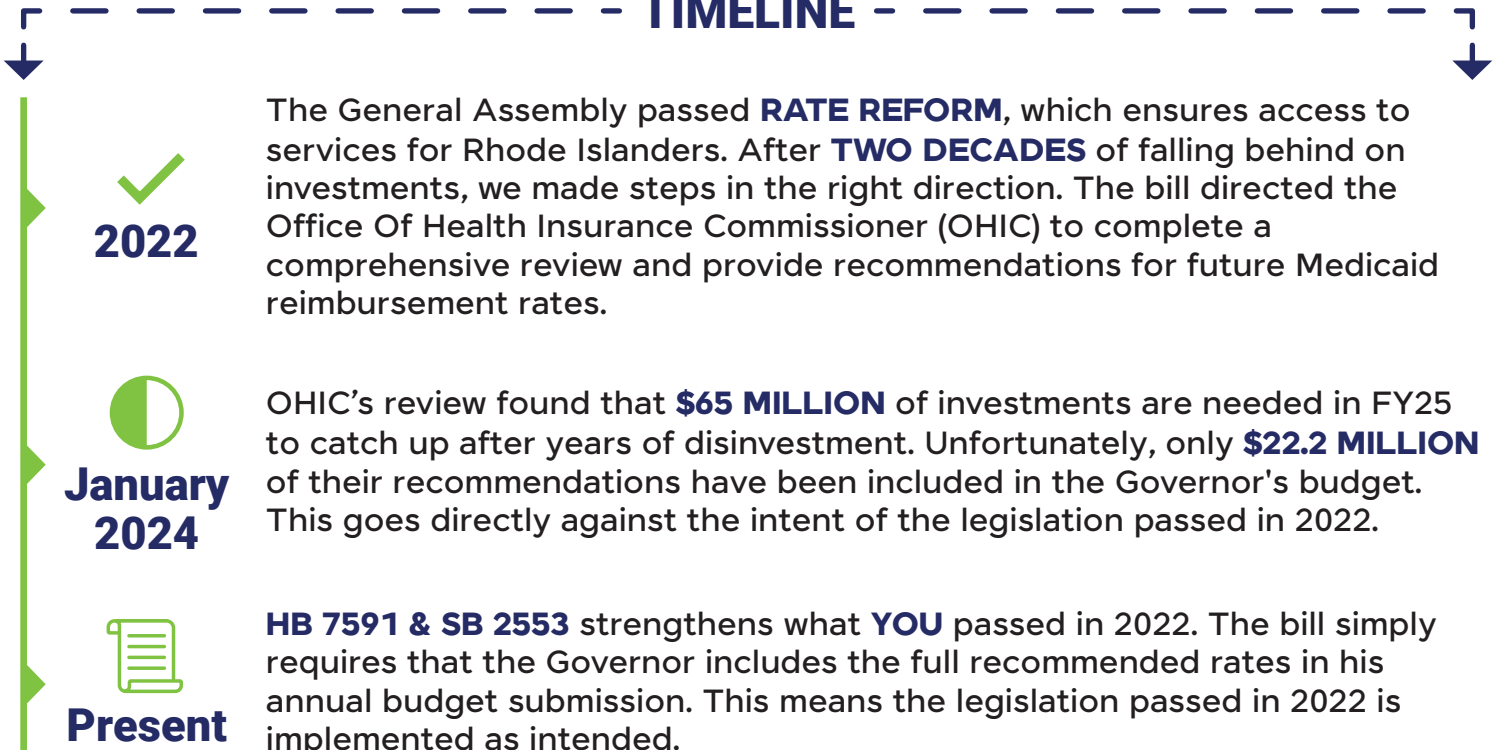


RATE REFORM

NOW LET'S FULLY FUND IT. PASS HB 7591 & SB 2553.

RATE REFORM AT A GLANCE

TIMELINE



✓
2022

The General Assembly passed **RATE REFORM**, which ensures access to services for Rhode Islanders. After **TWO DECADES** of falling behind on investments, we made steps in the right direction. The bill directed the Office Of Health Insurance Commissioner (OHIC) to complete a comprehensive review and provide recommendations for future Medicaid reimbursement rates.

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January 2024

OHIC's review found that **\$65 MILLION** of investments are needed in FY25 to catch up after years of disinvestment. Unfortunately, only **\$22.2 MILLION** of their recommendations have been included in the Governor's budget. This goes directly against the intent of the legislation passed in 2022.

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Present

HB 7591 & SB 2553 strengthens what **YOU** passed in 2022. The bill simply requires that the Governor includes the full recommended rates in his annual budget submission. This means the legislation passed in 2022 is implemented as intended.

THIS IMPACTS YOUR CONSTITUENTS



Rate reform impacts our neighbors, families and friends. As we consider the importance of this investment, let's remember the true **HUMAN IMPACT** it will have. Below are some of the people impacted by this investments:

- Seniors
- People with disabilities
- Children and families at risk or in crisis
- People with behavioral health conditions and substance use

Does not include contracted DCYF services.

FULL FUNDING IS NEEDED

Amount needed to fully fund rate reform	\$65 million
EOHHS budget recommendation	\$32.7 million
Governor's proposed budget	\$22.2 million

✓ **Let's fulfill goals made in 2022** ✓
All numbers are general revenue

HB 7591 & SB 2553 AT A GLANCE

Strengths legislation passed in 2022 that impacts thousands of Rhode Islanders

Caseload estimating will project these pivotal service costs

2024 -- S 2553

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY
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A N A C T

RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCE -- MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASELOAD ESTIMATING CONFERENCES

Introduced By: Senators DiPalma, Valverde, Lauria, Miller, Pearson, and Acosta

Date Introduced: March 1, 2024

Referred To: Senate Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 35-17-1 of the General Laws in Chapter 35-17 entitled
- 2 "Medical Assistance and Public Assistance Caseload Estimating
- 3 Conferences" is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 4 35-17-1. Purpose and membership.

"Governor shall appropriate the recommended rates...in the governor's annual budget submission"

PASS HB 7591 & SB 2553



Your constituents will have better lives because of it.

