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P.L. 2023, CHAPTER 53, *approved May 8, 2023*
Assembly Committee Substitute for
Assembly, No. 4756

1 AN ACT concerning the Division of Children’s System of Care and
2 supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. As used in this section:
8 “Division” means the Division of Children’s System of Care in
9 the Department of Children and Families.

10 “Emergency shelter for the homeless” means a building or
11 structure in which a public entity or a private, nonprofit
12 organization provides shelter, or food and shelter, to individuals and
13 families having neither a home nor the means to obtain a home or
14 other temporary lodging.

15 b. (1) The Division of Children’s System of Care shall establish
16 a training program for the purpose of educating employees of an
17 emergency shelter of the homeless on:

18 (a) the services provided by the division, including, but not
19 limited to, mobile response and stabilization, care management
20 services, family support, and other therapeutic and support services
21 for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use
22 challenges, and intellectual and development disabilities; and

23 (b) how to assist parents and youth in accessing the services
24 provided by the division outlined in subparagraph (a) of paragraph
25 (1) of this subsection.

26 (2) The training program shall be made available to employees
27 of an emergency shelter for the homeless in a manner determined
28 by the division, and shall be updated on a regular basis as may be
29 appropriate.

30 c. As part of the training program established pursuant to
31 subsection b. of this section, the division shall:

32 (1) develop educational and informational materials concerning
33 the services offered by the division for youth with emotional and
34 behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual
35 and development disabilities; and

36 (2) make available to the public on the division's Internet
37 website, both in print, via a Department of Children and Families
38 publication order form that can be submitted from the website, and
39 in a digital format that can be easily printed from the website, the
40 information contained in educational and informational materials

1 developed pursuant to this subsection, and update this information
2 as necessary.

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4 2. In accordance with the "Administrative Procedure Act,"
5 P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), the Division of Children's
6 System of Care, in consultation with the Department of Community
7 Affairs, shall adopt rules and regulations necessary to implement
8 the provisions of this act.

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10 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month
11 next following enactment.

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16 Requires Division of Children's System of Care to establish
17 training program for employees of emergency shelters for homeless.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4756

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 3, 2022

Sponsored by:

Assemblyman WILLIAM W. SPEARMAN

District 5 (Camden and Gloucester)

Assemblyman BENJIE E. WIMBERLY

District 35 (Bergen and Passaic)

Assemblywoman VERLINA REYNOLDS-JACKSON

District 15 (Hunterdon and Mercer)

Co-Sponsored by:

Assemblywoman McKnight, Assemblymen Conaway and Atkins

SYNOPSIS

Requires Division of Children's System of Care to establish goals for prioritizing certain services to homeless children.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 10/11/2022)

1 AN ACT concerning the Division of Children's System of Care and
2 supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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7 1. a. The Division of Children's System of Care in the
8 Department of Children and Families shall establish divisional and
9 treatment-specific goals related to the provision of behavioral health
10 care, substance use services, or disability services, as appropriate
11 which may incorporate treatment service redesign initiatives and
12 quality of clinical care and service delivery objectives. In
13 establishing these goals, the division shall prioritize the needs of
14 homeless children and adolescents who are eligible to receive
15 behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services.

16 b. The division shall adopt policies and programs to accomplish
17 the goals established pursuant to this act.

18 c. Within 12 months following the effective date of this act, the
19 division shall submit a written report to the Governor and, pursuant
20 to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature
21 that:

22 (1) measures the division's progress in achieving the goals
23 established pursuant to subsection a. of this section;

24 (2) identifies barriers to the achievement of the goals; and

25 (3) makes recommendations for legislative or regulatory action
26 to address barriers to the achievement of the goals.

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28 2. The Division of Children's System of Care shall adopt rules
29 and regulations pursuant to the provisions of the "Administrative
30 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), to effectuate
31 the provisions of this act.

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33 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month
34 next following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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39 This bill requires the Division of Children's System of Care in
40 the Department of Children and Families to establish divisional and
41 treatment-specific goals related to the provision of behavioral health
42 care, substance use services, or disability services, as appropriate
43 which may incorporate treatment service redesign initiatives and
44 quality of clinical care and service delivery objectives. In
45 establishing the goals, the division is to prioritize the needs of
46 homeless children and adolescents who are eligible to receive
47 behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services.

A4756 SPEARMAN, WIMBERLY

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1 Under the bill's provisions, the division is to (1) adopt policies
2 and programs to accomplish the goals established pursuant to the
3 bill; and (2) submit a written report to the Governor and the
4 Legislature, within one year of the bill's enactment, containing
5 certain information on the establishment and achievement of the
6 goals as outlined in the bill.

ASSEMBLY HOUSING COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 4756

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: OCTOBER 13, 2022

The Assembly Housing Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4756.

This bill requires the Division of Children's System of Care in the Department of Children and Families to establish divisional and treatment-specific goals related to the provision of behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services, as appropriate which may incorporate treatment service redesign initiatives and quality of clinical care and service delivery objectives. In establishing the goals, the division is to prioritize the needs of homeless children and adolescents who are eligible to receive behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services.

Under the bill's provisions, the division is to (1) adopt policies and programs to accomplish the goals established pursuant to the bill; and (2) submit a written report to the Governor and the Legislature, within one year of the bill's enactment, containing certain information on the establishment and achievement of the goals as outlined in the bill.

ASSEMBLY HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 4756

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: DECEMBER 8, 2022

The Assembly Human Services Committee reports favorably Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 4756.

This committee substitutes requires the Division of Children's System of Care in the Department of Children and Families (the division) to establish a training program for the purpose of educating employees of an emergency shelter of the homeless on: (1) the services provided by the division, including, but not limited to, mobile response and stabilization, care management, family support, and other therapeutic and support services for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and developmental disabilities; and (2) how to assist parents and youth in accessing the services provided by the division outlined in the substitute.

As used in the committee substitute, "emergency shelter for the homeless" means a building or structure in which a public entity or a private, nonprofit organization provides shelter, or food and shelter, to individuals and families having neither a home nor the means to obtain a home or other temporary lodging.

Under the committee substitute's provisions, the training program is to be made available to employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless in a manner determined by the division, and to be updated on a regular basis as may be appropriate.

The division is also required to develop educational and informational materials concerning the services it offers for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and development disabilities. The information contained in the educational and informational materials is to be made available to the public on the division's Internet website, both in print and in a digital format that can be easily printed from the website, and updated as necessary.

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 4756

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 13, 2023

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4756 (ACS).

This bill requires the Division of Children's System of Care in the Department of Children and Families (the division) to establish a training program for the purpose of educating employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless on: (1) the services provided by the division, including, but not limited to, mobile response and stabilization, care management, family support, and other therapeutic and support services for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and developmental disabilities; and (2) how to assist parents and youth in accessing the services provided by the division outlined in the bill.

As used in the bill, "emergency shelter for the homeless" means a building or structure in which a public entity or a private, nonprofit organization provides shelter, or food and shelter, to individuals and families having neither a home nor the means to obtain a home or other temporary lodging.

Under the bill's provisions, the training program is to be made available to employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless in a manner determined by the division, and to be updated on a regular basis as may be appropriate.

The division is also required to develop educational and informational materials concerning the services it offers for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and development disabilities. The information contained in the educational and informational materials is to be made available to the public on the division's Internet website, both in print and in a digital format that can be easily printed from the website, and updated as necessary.

As reported by the committee, Assembly Bill No. 4756 (ACS) is identical to Senate Bill No. 3262, which was also reported by the committee on this date, with amendments.

SENATE, No. 3262

STATE OF NEW JERSEY 220th LEGISLATURE

INTRODUCED OCTOBER 31, 2022

Sponsored by:

Senator RENEE C. BURGESS

District 28 (Essex)

Senator M. TERESA RUIZ

District 29 (Essex)

Co-Sponsored by:

Senator Codey

SYNOPSIS

Requires Division of Children's System of Care to establish goals for prioritizing certain services to homeless children.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



(Sponsorship Updated As Of: 2/13/2023)

1 AN ACT concerning the Division of Children's System of Care and
2 supplementing Title 30 of the Revised Statutes.

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4 **BE IT ENACTED** by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
5 of New Jersey:

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8 Department of Children and Families shall establish divisional and
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11 which may incorporate treatment service redesign initiatives and
12 quality of clinical care and service delivery objectives. In
13 establishing these goals, the division shall prioritize the needs of
14 homeless children and adolescents who are eligible to receive
15 behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services.

16 b. The division shall adopt policies and programs to accomplish
17 the goals established pursuant to this act.

18 c. Within 12 months following the effective date of this act, the
19 division shall submit a written report to the Governor and, pursuant
20 to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature
21 that:

22 (1) measures the division's progress in achieving the goals
23 established pursuant to subsection a. of this section;

24 (2) identifies barriers to the achievement of the goals; and

25 (3) makes recommendations for legislative or regulatory action
26 to address barriers to the achievement of the goals.

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28 2. The Division of Children's System of Care shall adopt rules
29 and regulations pursuant to the provisions of the "Administrative
30 Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), to effectuate
31 the provisions of this act.

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33 3. This act shall take effect on the first day of the sixth month
34 next following enactment.

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STATEMENT

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43 which may incorporate treatment service redesign initiatives and
44 quality of clinical care and service delivery objectives. In
45 establishing the goals, the division is to prioritize the needs of
46 homeless children and adolescents who are eligible to receive
47 behavioral health care, substance use services, or disability services.

S3262 BURGESS, RUIZ

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1 Under the bill's provisions, the division is to (1) adopt policies
2 and programs to accomplish the goals established pursuant to the
3 bill; and (2) submit a written report to the Governor and the
4 Legislature, within one year of the bill's enactment, containing
5 certain information on the establishment and achievement of the
6 goals as outlined in the bill.

SENATE HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES AND SENIOR
CITIZENS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 3262

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: FEBRUARY 13, 2023

The Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 3262.

As amended, this bill requires the Division of Children's System of Care in the Department of Children and Families (the division) to establish a training program for the purpose of educating employees of an emergency shelter of the homeless on: (1) the services provided by the division, including, but not limited to, mobile response and stabilization, care management, family support, and other therapeutic and support services for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and developmental disabilities; and (2) how to assist parents and youth in accessing the services provided by the division outlined in the bill.

As used in the bill, "emergency shelter for the homeless" means a building or structure in which a public entity or a private, nonprofit organization provides shelter, or food and shelter, to individuals and families having neither a home nor the means to obtain a home or other temporary lodging.

Under the bill's provisions, the training program is to be made available to employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless in a manner determined by the division, and to be updated on a regular basis as may be appropriate.

The division is also required to develop educational and informational materials concerning the services it offers for youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and development disabilities. The information contained in the educational and informational materials is to be made available to the public on the division's Internet website, both in print and in a digital format that can be easily printed from the website, and updated as necessary.

As reported by the committee with amendments, Senate Bill No. 3262 is identical to Assembly Bill No. 4756 (ACS), which was also reported by the committee on this date.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments revise the bill to require that the Division of Children's System of Care (division) in the Department of Children and Families establish a training program for the purpose of educating employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless on the services provided by the division to youth with emotional and behavioral challenges, substance use challenges, and intellectual and development disabilities. As introduced, the bill required the division to establish divisional and treatment-specific goals related to the provision of certain services to homeless youth.

The committee amendments provide a definition for "division" and "emergency shelter for the homeless."

The committee amendments provide that the training program is to be made available to employees of an emergency shelter for the homeless in a manner determined by the division, and to be updated on a regular basis as may be appropriate.

The committee amendments provide that the division will develop educational and informational materials concerning certain services it offers, which will be made available to the public on the division's Internet website, and updated as necessary.

The committee amendments make a change to the synopsis to reflect these changes.

Governor Murphy Takes Action on Legislation

05/8/2023

TRENTON – Today, Governor Murphy signed the following bills into law:

S-142/A-4341 (Diegnan, Pou/Freiman, Moriarty, Mosquera) - Modernizes business filing statutes to include entity conversion and domestication

S-435/A-392 (Smith, Greenstein/Danielsen) - Authorizes certain local authorities to distribute live recordings of certain public hearings in lieu of transcript requirement

S-660/A-2438 (Oroho, Gopal/Wirths, DeAngelo, Space) - Establishes that "100 percent Disabled Veterans" are not required to submit to MVC certain documentation to renew park privileges

S-1033/A-2682 (Vitale, Ruiz/Mukherji, Benson, McKnight) - Establishes "Alzheimer's and Dementia Care Long-Term Advisory Commission" in DHS

S-2396/A-3810 (Madden, Zwicker/Moen, Mosquera, Danielsen) - Provides for oversight and improvement of administration of unemployment compensation

S-2423/A-3746 (Pou/McKeon, Calabrese) - Allows local government deferred compensation plans to invest in collective investment trusts

A-179/S-752 (Carter, Moen, Sumter/Lagana, Greenstein) - Requires DEP to make certain information regarding water purveyors available on its Internet website

A-1463/S-1810 (Lopez, Speight, McKnight/Ruiz, Singleton) - Clarifies penalties for certain violations of pretrial release; directs prosecutor to provide written notice of release to v

A-1791/S-3306 (DeAngelo, Verrelli, McKnight/Turner, Greenstein) - Establishes "Career and Technical Education Scholar Awards" to annually recognize outstanding career and technical education students

A-3494/S-2381 (Dancer, Moriarty, Haider/Diegnan) - Allows license plate frame to obscure certain parts of permanent or temporary license plate under certain conditions

A-3946/S-340 (Quijano, Calabrese, Carter/Singleton, Turner) - Decouples State tax provisions from federal prohibition on cannabis business deductions

A-4132/S-3426 (Stanley, Jaffer, Atkins/Cruz-Perez, Turner) - Establishes NJ Agricultural Literacy Week

A-4184/S-2827 (Tully/Greenstein, Turner) - Requires DCA to allow hiring of information technology and cybersecurity professionals pursuant to shared service incentive programs

ACS for A-4756/S-3262 (Spearman, Wimberly, Reynolds-Jackson/Burgess, Ruiz) - Requires Division of Children's System of Care to establish training program for employees of emergency shelters for homeless

A-4836/S-3417 (Speight, Atkins, Wimberly/Greenstein, Stanfield) - Requires Office of Emergency Management to incorporate into State Emergency Operations Plan framework to address cybersecurity incidents

A-4935/S-3335 (Benson, Spearman, Haider/Johnson, Diegnan) - Concerns electronic transmission of crash reports

Governor Murphy conditionally vetoed the following bill:

S-3110/A-4783 (Smith, Codey/McKeon, Kennedy, Chaparro) - CONDITIONAL - Requires sellers of real property and landlords to make certain notifications regarding flooding