

30:9A-17

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 30:9A-17

(Youth Suicide
Prevention
Advisory Council
--extend
reporting
deadline)

LAWS OF: 1987

CHAPTER: 208

Bill No: S2924

Sponsor(s): Codey

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SENATE, No. 2924

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JANUARY 22, 1987

By Senator CODEY

Referred to Committee on Children's Services

AN ACT concerning youth suicide prevention, amending P. L. 1985,
c. 195 and making an appropriation therefor.

1 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the State*
2 *of New Jersey:*

1 1. Section 6 of P. L. 1985, c. 195 (C. 30:9A-17) is amended to
2 read as follows:

3 6. a. There is established in the Department of Human Services
4 a Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council. The council shall
5 consist of 10 members as follows: the Commissioner of Human
6 Services and the Commissioner of Education, or their designees,
7 who shall serve as ex officio members[.]; the project director of
8 each of the three suicide prevention projects funded pursuant to
9 this act[.]; and five public members appointed by the Governor
10 who are residents of this State, two of whom are generally know-
11 ledgeable about issues concerning youth suicide, one of whom is a
12 member of a local school board, one of whom is a school administra-
13 tor and one of whom is a secondary school classroom teacher. The
14 members shall serve for a term of two years. Vacancies in the
15 membership of the council shall be filled in the same manner as the
16 original [appointment] appointments. A member of the council
17 is eligible for reappointment. The members of the council shall
18 serve without compensation, but the council shall reimburse its
19 members for the reasonable expenses incurred in the performance
20 of their duties.

21 The members of the council shall elect from among them a chair-
22 man, who shall be the chief executive officer of the council, and the

EXPLANATION—Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill
is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter printed in italics thus is new matter.

23 members shall elect a secretary, who need not be a member of the
24 council.

25 The council may call to its assistance and avail itself of the
26 services and assistance of any officials and employees of the State
27 and its political subdivisions and their departments, boards,
28 bureaus, commissions and agencies as it may require and as may
29 be available to it for this purpose and may expend any funds as
30 may be appropriated or otherwise made available to it pursuant to
31 this act.

32 The Governor shall appoint the public members of the council
33 within 90 days after the effective date of this act and the council
34 shall organize as soon as may be practicable after the prevention
35 projects have been approved and funded and the project directors
36 selected.

37 b. The council shall: compile information on youth suicide pre-
38 vention programs that are presently carried out in the State;
39 disseminate this information and relevant information about the
40 projects funded pursuant to this act to local school districts, com-
41 munity mental health services providers and the public; assess the
42 most efficient and effective methods for establishing youth suicide
43 prevention programs in other school districts and by other com-
44 munity mental health services providers; assess the cost for pro-
45 viding youth suicide prevention programs Statewide; and advise
46 and provide technical information to the Commissioners of Human
47 Services and Education on matters pertaining to youth suicide,
48 upon their request.

49 c. The council shall report to the Governor and the Legislature
50 [18 months from the effective date of this act] by September 1,
51 1987 on the activities of the council, the effects of the three suicide
52 prevention projects funded pursuant to this act, and the council's
53 assessment of the most efficient and effective methods for estab-
54 lishing a Statewide program and the projected cost for doing so.
55 The council shall include in its report recommendations for legisla-
56 tive or administrative action that may be necessary to ensure that
57 youth suicide prevention services are available Statewide.

1 2. There is appropriated \$78,000.00 from the General Fund to
2 the Department of Human Services. Of this sum, \$25,500.00 is
3 allocated to the Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council estab-
4 lished pursuant to section 6 of P. L. 1985, c. 195 (C. 30:9A-17),
5 \$37,500.00 is allocated to the three suicide prevention projects
6 funded pursuant to section 4 of P. L. 1985, c. 195 (C. 30:9A-15)
7 and \$15,000.00 is allocated to fund an independent evaluation study
8 of the suicide prevention projects.

1 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

STATEMENT

This bill amends the law establishing a youth suicide prevention program, P. L. 1985, c. 195, to extend the reporting deadline for the Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council created therein, to September 1, 1987. The bill also appropriates \$78,000.00 to fund the activities of the council and to provide additional funds to the youth suicide prevention projects which were established under the 1985 law.

The appointment of the advisory council was delayed over one year after the enactment of the 1985 law, but the law provided that the council would report to the Governor and the Legislature 18 months after the date of enactment. Under the current law, therefore, the council will not have adequate time to perform its duties and issue its report. This legislation is needed to ensure that the council can carry out its duties as originally intended by the 1985 law.

CHILDREN

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN'S SERVICES

STATEMENT TO

SENATE BILL NO. 2924

DATED: FEBRUARY 23, 1987

The Senate Committee on Children's Services favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2924.

This bill amends the law establishing a youth suicide prevention program, P.L. 1985, c. 195, to extend the reporting deadline for the Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council created therein to September 1, 1987.

The bill also appropriates \$78,000 from the General Fund to the Department of Human Services: \$25,500 of which is allocated to the Youth Suicide Prevention Advisory Council established pursuant to section 6 of P.L. 1985, c. 195 (C. 30:9A-17); \$37,500 of which is allocated to the three suicide prevention projects funded pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 1985, c. 195 (C. 30:9A-15); and \$15,000 of which is allocated to fund an independent evaluation study of the suicide prevention projects.

This bill is identical to Assembly Bill No. 3545 (Gargiulo) which is currently pending in the Assembly Health and Human Resources Committee.

SENATE INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND WELFARE
COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

SENATE, No. 2924

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: APRIL 27, 1987

The Senate Institutions, Health and Welfare Committee favorably reports Senate Bill No. 2924.

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The 1985 law requires that the advisory council report to the Governor and the Legislature 18 months from the effective date of the law, which would have been the end of December, 1987. The advisory council, however, was not appointed until October, 1986 and has not had adequate time to perform its duties and issue its report within the law's original timeframe.

An identical bill, Assembly Bill No. 3545 (Gargiulo/Catrillo), is currently pending before the Assembly Health and Human Resources Committee.