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Referred to Committee on Select Committee on Children

Introduced by:
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***AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTING REQUIREMENTS RELATED TO
THE CHILD POVERTY AND PREVENTION COUNCIL.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsections (f) and (g) of section 4-67x of the general
2 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
3 (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

4 (f) (1) On or before [January 1, 2006, and annually thereafter, until
5 January 1, 2015] January first each year from 2006 to 2015, inclusive,
6 the council shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the joint
7 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
8 matters relating to appropriations and human services and to the select
9 committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
10 relating to children on the implementation of the plan, progress made
11 toward meeting the child poverty reduction goal specified in
12 subsection (a) of this section and the extent to which state actions are in
13 conformity with the plan. The council shall meet at least two times
14 annually for the purposes set forth in this section.

15 (2) On or before [January 1, 2007] January first each year from 2007

16 to 2015, inclusive, the council shall, within available appropriations,
17 report, in accordance with section 11-4a, to the Governor and the joint
18 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
19 matters relating to appropriations, education, human services and
20 public health and to the select committee of the General Assembly
21 having cognizance of matters relating to children, on the state's
22 progress in prioritizing expenditures in budgeted state agencies with
23 membership on the council in order to fund prevention services. The
24 report shall include (A) a summary of measurable gains made toward
25 the child poverty and prevention goals established in this section; (B) a
26 copy of each such agency's report on prevention services submitted to
27 the council pursuant to subsection (g) of this section; (C) examples of
28 successful interagency collaborations to meet the child poverty and
29 prevention goals established in this section; and (D) recommendations
30 for prevention investment and budget priorities. In developing such
31 recommendations, the council shall consult with experts and providers
32 of services to children and families.

33 (g) (1) On or before [November 1, 2006, and on or before November
34 1, 2007] November first each year from 2006 to 2014, inclusive, each
35 budgeted state agency with membership on the council that provides
36 prevention services to children shall, within available appropriations,
37 report to the council in accordance with this subsection.

38 (2) Each agency report shall include at least two prevention services
39 [for the report due on or before November 1, 2006, and the report due
40 on or before November 1, 2007,] not to exceed the actual number of
41 prevention services provided by the agency. For each prevention
42 service reported by the agency, the agency report shall include (A) a
43 statement of the number of children and families served, (B) a
44 description of the preventive purposes of the service, (C) for [the
45 report due on or before November 1, 2007] reports due after November
46 1, 2006, a description of performance-based standards and outcomes
47 included in relevant contracts pursuant to subsection (h) of this
48 section, and (D) any performance-based vendor accountability

49 protocols.

50 (3) Each agency report shall also include (A) long-term agency
51 goals, strategies and outcomes to promote the health and well-being of
52 children and families, (B) overall findings on the effectiveness of
53 prevention within such agency, (C) a statement of whether there are
54 methods used by such agency to reduce disparities in child
55 performance and outcomes by race, income level and gender, and a
56 description of such methods, if any, and (D) other information the
57 agency head deems relevant to demonstrate the preventive value of
58 services provided by the agency. Long-term agency goals, strategies
59 and outcomes reported under this subdivision may include, but need
60 not be limited to, the following:

61 (i) With respect to health goals, increasing (I) the number of healthy
62 pregnant women and newborns, (II) the number of youths who adopt
63 healthy behaviors, and (III) access to health care for children and
64 families;

65 (ii) With respect to education goals, increasing the number of
66 children who (I) are ready for school at an appropriate age, (II) learn to
67 read by third grade, (III) succeed in school, (IV) graduate from high
68 school, and (V) successfully obtain and maintain employment as
69 adults;

70 (iii) With respect to safety goals, decreasing (I) the rate of child
71 neglect and abuse, (II) the number of children who are unsupervised
72 after school, (III) the incidence of child and youth suicide, and (IV) the
73 incidence of juvenile crime; and

74 (iv) With respect to housing goals, increasing access to stable and
75 adequate housing.

76 Sec. 2. Section 4-67v of the general statutes is repealed and the
77 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2007*):

78 For [the] each biennial budget for the fiscal years [commencing July

