



General Assembly

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**Proposed Bill No. 5416**

LCO No. 2000

Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by:

REP. VILLANO, 91st Dist.

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***AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSITION OF CARE AND TREATMENT OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TO THE DEPARTMENTS OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES.***

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

1 That the general statutes be amended to: (1) Require the  
2 Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families to develop  
3 and implement interagency agreements between the Department of  
4 Children and Families and the Department of Mental Retardation and  
5 between the Department of Children and Families and the Department  
6 of Mental Health and Addiction Services to provide for the care of  
7 children and youth transitioning from one agency to another; and (2)  
8 require the Commissioner of the Department of Children and Families  
9 and the Commissioner of the Department of Mental Health and  
10 Addiction Services to jointly submit a report to the joint standing  
11 committees of the general assembly having cognizance over matters  
12 relating to human services, appropriations and the select committee of  
13 the general assembly having cognizance over matters relating to  
14 children describing the process by which young adults transition from

15 the Department of Children and Families to the Department of Mental  
16 Health and Addiction Services.

***Statement of Purpose:***

To provide for the development and implementation of interagency agreements between the Department of Children and Families and the Departments of Mental Retardation and Mental Health and Addiction Services for the transition of care of children and youth in the custody of the Department of Children and Families.