



General Assembly

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**Committee Bill No. 6269**

LCO No. 5495



Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH

Introduced by:  
(PH)

**AN ACT CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR HOMELESS CHILDREN OR YOUTHS.**

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

- 1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2015*) The Department of  
2 Public Health shall collaborate with the Department of Mental Health  
3 and Addiction Services to annually (1) identify homeless children or  
4 youths, as defined in 42 USC 11434a, as amended from time to time,  
5 located in the state who are in need of mental health services, (2) refer  
6 such homeless children or youths to such services, and (3) make efforts  
7 to ensure that such homeless children or youths receive such services.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>October 1, 2015</i>	New section
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**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide homeless youths with greater access to mental health services.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*

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