

Public Act 06-188

Families With Service Needs Advisory Board

Sec. 42. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a Families With Service Needs Advisory Board. The board shall consist of the following members: (1) Two representatives of the Department of Children and Families, appointed by the Commissioner of Children and Families, one of whom shall be a representative from the division of said department that provides juvenile justice services and one of whom shall be a representative of said department who is responsible for providing services to girls; (2) the Chief Court Administrator, or the Chief Court Administrator's designee; (3) a judge of the Superior Court assigned to hear juvenile matters, appointed by the Chief Justice; (4) a public defender, assistant public defender or deputy assistant public defender specializing in cases involving families with service needs, appointed by the Chief Public Defender; (5) the Child Advocate, or the Child Advocate's designee; (6) the Chief Child Protection Attorney, or the Chief Child Protection Attorney's designee; (7) the Chief State's Attorney, or the Chief State's Attorney's designee; (8) the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the secretary's designee; (9) the chairpersons and ranking members of the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the judiciary and human services, or their designees; (10) one member appointed by the Governor; and (11) two members to serve as chairpersons of the board, one of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives and one of whom shall be appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate. All appointments to the board shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy shall be filled by the appointing authority. The chairpersons of the board shall schedule the first meeting of the board, which shall be held not later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

(b) The Families With Service Needs Advisory Board shall (1) monitor the progress being made by the Department of Children and Families in developing services and programming for girls from families with service needs and other girls, (2) monitor the progress being made by the Judicial Department in the implementation of the requirements of public act 05-250, (3) provide advice with respect to such implementation upon the request of the Judicial Department or the General Assembly, and (4) not later than December 31, 2007, make written recommendations to the Judicial Department and the General Assembly, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, with respect to the accomplishment of such implementation by the effective date of public act 05-250. The board shall terminate on December 31, 2007.