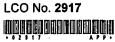


General Assembly

February Session, 2006

Raised Bill No. 69



Referred to Committee on

Introduced by: (APP)

AN ACT CONCERNING COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH REINVESTMENT FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

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

1 Section 1. (NEW) (Effective July 1, 2006) All federal funds received by 2 the state as a result of the implementation of the Behavioral Health 3 Partnership shall be deposited in a separate nonlapsing account which shall be administered by the Department of Children and Families. An 4 5 amount equal to the estimated savings realized by the state as a result of the implementation of the Behavioral Health Partnership shall also 6 be deposited in such account. The purpose of the account is to 7 8 strengthen community-based mental health care for children and 9 families. Expenditures from the account shall be made in accordance 10 with the recommendations of the Department of Children and Families 11 and the Department of Social Services to the joint standing committees 12 of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to 13 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies, children and families 14 and social services, and the review and approval of such 15 recommendations by said joint standing committees in consultation 16 with the Office of Policy and Management and the Community Mental



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17 Health Strategy Board.

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

Section 1	July 1, 2006	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To provide funds to strengthen community-based mental health care for children and families.

[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.]