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Budget Conference Issues for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities

First the good news. Early Steps, Florida's Part C early intervention program is set to be funded with just over 4 million dollars to keep it going for another year! Also, exceptions have been made for the Tier One Developmental Disabilities Home and Community Based Waiver (DD/HCBS) waiver cap. The cap is set to be raised to \$150,000 for individuals with intensive behavioral and medical needs instead of \$120,000.

Please thank [Representative Grimsley](#), [Senator Peaden](#) and [Senator Rich](#)!

The House and Senate conference committee dealing with services provided through the Agency for Persons with Disabilities has completed its work on the general appropriations act. They were unable to resolve several cut issues and these issues are now being "bumped" up to a higher level.

Major Points:

- The House and Senate leadership decided not to include federal matching funds that Congress is expected to enact before December 31, 2010. The loss of this revenue put the Senate's cuts back on the table for consideration.
- At this point, the conferees have been unable to agree on how to resolve most of these cuts and the decisions are being deferred to the two Appropriations Chairs; [Representative David Rivera](#) and [Senator JD Alexander](#) . These leaders will make their decisions by noon on Saturday April 24. Issues that are not resolved by these individuals will then be "bumped" to the [Senate President](#) and [House Speaker](#).

The current cuts being considered for people with developmental disabilities (DD) include the following:

- Eliminate behavior assistance services in standard & behaviorally focused group homes
- Reduce provider rates for most services between 2.5 and 5%.
- Reduce funding caps for Tiers 2, 3, & 4 by 2.5%.
- Reduce ICF/DD rates by up to 7%.

People must act now if services to people with disabilities are going to avoid major reductions. If all these cuts are taken together, there will be a reduction of services, choice of services and an overall reduction of quality care.

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council will be working with Appropriations Chairs; Representative [David Rivera](#) and [Senator JD Alexander](#) and the [Senate President](#) and [House Speaker](#).

We will be asking for no more cuts for services for individuals with developmental disabilities. Services to people with developmental disabilities have been reduced by more than \$100 million over the last few years.

HB 7223- Medicaid Managed Care by Select Policy Council on Strategic & Economic Planning, Grimsley

Summary

The key features of the [Bill](#), Medicaid managed care include the following:

- All purchased Medicaid services will be under managed care. There will be no exceptions or "carve outs".
- For people with developmental disabilities, this includes all Waiver services, all private Intermediate Care Facilities for the Developmentally Disabled (ICF/DD) services and all basic health care services.
- The only services not subject to managed care will be those provided at state run institutions.
- The effective date for HMOs or PSNs to begin delivering services to people with developmental disabilities is 2015.
- The state will be divided into six areas with at least two HMOs and one PSN managing services in each area.
- The tier system is continued except that a fifth level is added for services provided by private ICF/DDs.
- The managed care entity is expected to save 8% of the current cost of care with a

preferred savings of 15%.

·The savings will be used to pay for the administrative costs (overhead and profits) of the HMO or PSN.

·No additional funds can be expected to offset their costs and the waiting list will not be initially addressed.

The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) functions would be limited to managing the two remaining state institutions, the forensic programs and a small general revenue program. Case management would be provided by the HMO or PSN and independent support coordination would be eliminated.

The Senate has a Medicaid Reform Expansion bill ([SB 1484](#)) that expands the Medicaid Reform Pilots into 19 counties that have two or more HMO's and that have the capacity for more patients. The bills are being negotiated between the House and the Senate. The Governor and the Senate President have publicly expressed concerns with the House proposal.

Linked Bills

HB 7225 - Relating to Medicaid by Select Policy Council on Strategic & Economic Planning
04/19/10 SENATE In Messages

The Florida Developmental Disabilities Council will be working with the [Senate President Atwater](#) and the [Speaker of the House Cretul](#).

Our message will be to develop a plan and specialty networks for individuals with developmental disabilities for basic health care needs and pilot the plan in the existing pilot counties.

Also we are advocating that the Agency for Persons with Disabilities and the Individual Budget(IBudget) system be used to manage the care provided by the Developmental Disabilities Home and Community Based Waiver.

Please call your legislators and let your opinion be heard!

HB 1073 - Relating to Education of Children with Disabilities by Llorente Summary

This bill is now combined with a revised version of HB 81(see below). The new bill version requires minimum training for child care personnel to include the identification and care of children with developmental disabilities. The bill provides requirements for use, monitoring, and reduction of unnecessary seclusion and restraint on students with disabilities. The bill keeps all parental notification and data reporting requirements. Many advocates are disappointed that all references about when to use restraint and seclusion have been omitted. However there is a section on fire safety provisions for seclusion rooms, and the prohibition of restraints that block airways. The bill also requires regional autism centers to provide certain support services for serving children

with developmental disabilities. And finally, the bill requires the Department of Education to incorporate course curricula relating to developmental disabilities into existing requirements for continuing education or in-service training of instructional personnel. Effective Date: July 1, 2010

04/21/10 HOUSE Placed on Special Order Calendar for 04/23/10

HB 81 - Relating to Use, Prevention, and Reduction of Seclusion and Restraint on Students with Disabilities in Public Schools

by Hukill Cosponsors: Anderson, Brandenburg, Burgin, Flores, Fresen, Glorioso, Gonzalez, Heller, Hudson, Jenne, Kiar, Llorente, McBurney, Nehr, Pafford, Planas, Porth, Precourt, Sachs, Schenck, Schultz, Schwartz, Skidmore, Soto, Stargel, Steinberg, Tobia, Williams (T), Zapata

Summary

During the PreK-12 Policy Committee on March 25th, HB 81 passed! This marked the first time a bill on guidelines for Restraint and Seclusion had passed a committee. A House Proposed Committee Substitute (PCS) combined this bill with HB 1073(see next bill below). The original bill was laid on Table so from now on we will refer to the combined HB 1073.

The Council has taken a [Council Position](#) supporting the original legislation.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010

Actions

08/20/09 HOUSE Filed

10/01/09 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Policy Committee; Health Care Services Policy Committee; PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; Education Policy Council

03/25/10 HOUSE PCS combines this bill with H 1073; Original bill laid on Table, refer to combined H 1073

Similar Bills

SB 2118 - Relating to Students with Disabilities/Seclusion/Restraint by Gardiner

03/01/10 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations

04/21/10 SENATE Reference to Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations Removed Placed on Calendar, on second reading

SB 1166 - Relating to Community Residential Homes by Altman

Co-Sponsors: Storms

Summary

This bill prohibits rules adopted by the Agency for Persons with Disabilities from restricting the number of facilities designated as community residential homes located within a planned residential community. The bill also defines the term "planned residential community" and provides that community residential homes located within a planned residential community may be contiguous to one another and exempt from the 1000 foot rule. The 1000 foot rule states that group homes that have six beds or less may not be within 1000 feet of each other. [Council Position](#)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

01/21/10 SENATE Referred to Community Affairs; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs

02/16/10 SENATE Favorable by Community Affairs; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/21/10 SENATE Read Second Time; Amendment Withdrawn (281414); Amendment Adopted (753162); Ordered Engrossed

SENATE Engrossed Text (E1) Filed

Identical Bills

HB 0645 - Relating to Community Residential Homes by Stargel

Actions

01/28/10 HOUSE Referred to Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; Health Care Services Policy Committee; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

03/25/10 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Military & Local Affairs Policy Committee; 9 Yeas, 4 Nays

04/05/10 HOUSE Reference to Health Care Services Policy Committee Removed; Reference to Health & Family Services Policy Council Added; Remaining references: Health & Family Services Policy Council; Economic Development & Community Affairs Policy Council

04/13/10 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Health & Family Services Policy Council; 10 Yeas, 4 Nays

04/16/10 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C2) Filed

SB 1388- Relating to Intellectual Disabilities by Haridopolos

Summary

This bill amends provisions in statute by substituting the term "intellectual disability" for the term "mental retardation." The bill revises definitions relating to intermediate care facilities for the developmentally disabled to delete unused terms. The bill also provides that the name Arc of Florida is substituted for the Association for Retarded Citizens. This bill provides a directive to the Division of Statutory Revision.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Committees of Reference

Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, Criminal Justice, Judiciary, Health and Human Services Appropriations

Actions

01/26/10 SENATE Filed

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/13/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Criminal Justice; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/15/10 SENATE Removed from Judiciary meeting agenda, 04/19/10, 1:00 pm

SENATE Reference to Judiciary removed; remaining reference: Health and Human Services Appropriations

SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

SB 2038 - Relating to Medicaid Buy-in Program/Persons with Disabilities by Crist

Summary

The bill provided for Medicaid eligibility for certain persons with disabilities under a Medicaid buy-in program, subject to specific federal authorization. The proposed Work Incentive Medicaid Coverage program would continue to offer Medicaid coverage to people with disabilities who are working. Once they enrolled in the program they would have the opportunity to earn more and save more than the allowable limits for regular Medicaid and still retain their health care coverage through the State's Medicaid Program. The bill requires the Department of children and family services to adopt rules for determining eligibility. The bill also directs the Department of health to perform all disability determinations. Finally, the bill requires the Agency for Healthcare Administration to seek amendments to specified Medicaid waivers for certain persons with disabilities. The Council supports this legislation. [Council Position](#)

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Committees of Reference

Health Regulation, Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy and Steering Committee on Ways and Means

Actions

02/16/10 SENATE Filed

03/01/10 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health Regulation; 5 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/07/10 SENATE Favorable by Children, Families and Elder Affairs; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/08/10 SENATE Now in Health and Human Services Appropriations

Similar Bills

HB 0837 - Relating to Medicaid Buy-in for Persons with Disabilities by Homan

02/10/10 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; Health Care Appropriations Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council

2/10/10 HOUSE Now in Health Care Regulation Policy Committee

SB 0214-Relating to Autism by Ring

Summary

This bill requires a physician to refer a minor whose parent suspects the minor has an autism spectrum disorder, cerebral palsy, or Downs syndrome to an appropriate specialist for screening, evaluation, or diagnosis. The bill requires health insurers and health maintenance organizations to provide direct access to an appropriate specialist for a diagnosis. The terms "direct access" and "appropriate specialist" are defined in the bill. The bill mandates health insurance policies and health maintenance organization contracts to provide at least three visits per policy year for the screening, evaluation, or diagnosis of autism spectrum disorder, cerebral palsy, or Downs's syndrome.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

10/05/09 SENATE Filed

12/09/09 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Banking and Insurance; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/09/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health Regulation; 7 Yeas, 0 Nay

03/11/10 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

03/15/10 SENATE Reference to Governmental Oversight and Accountability added; Remaining references: Banking and Insurance; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/24/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Banking and Insurance; 10 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/06/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 7 Yeas, 1 Nay

04/07/10 SENATE Committee Substitute Text (C3) Filed

04/09/10 SENATE Now in Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

Compare

HB 0107-Relating to Autism by Coley

09/11/09 HOUSE Filed

10/12/09 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy Committee; Government Operations Appropriations Committee; General Government Policy Council

03/22/10 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; 10 Yeas, 1 Nay

03/30/10 HOUSE Committee Substitute Text (C1) Filed

04/05/10 HOUSE Reference to Insurance, Business & Financial Affairs Policy

Committee Removed; Remaining References: Government Operations Appropriations Committee; General Government Policy Council
04/09/10 HOUSE Favorable by Government Operations Appropriations Committee; 8 Yeas, 3 Nays
04/09/10 HOUSE Now in General Government Policy Council

SB 0222-Relating to Childhood Vaccinations by Ring

Summary

This bill requires a pediatrician or attending physician to discuss the risks, benefits, and alternatives of each vaccination before a child is vaccinated. The bill provides requirements for the administration of certain vaccines required for school entry. Licensed health care providers will be required to provide certain vaccine information statements to parents, legal guardians, and legal representatives before administering certain vaccines to children. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

10/05/09 SENATE Filed
12/09/09 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

Similar

HB 0117 -Relating to Childhood Vaccinations by Ambler
09/15/09 HOUSE Filed
10/12/09 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; Civil Justice & Courts Policy Committee; Health Care Appropriations Committee
02/16/10 HOUSE Temporarily postponed by Health Care Regulation Policy Committee
03/01/10 HOUSE Withdrawn prior to introduction

SB 0490-Relating to Dentistry by Smith

Summary

This bill defines the term "public health supervision" and redefines the term "health access settings" to include school-based prevention programs. The bill would authorize dental hygienists to perform certain additional dental hygiene services under public health supervision. The bill provides that certain tasks are remediable and delegable to dental hygienists in certain settings. The bill includes a list of remediable and delegable tasks. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

10/20/09 SENATE Filed
12/09/09 SENATE Referred to Health Regulation; Education Pre-K - 12; Health and Human Services Appropriations

Similar

HB 1469 -Relating to Dentistry and Dental Hygiene by Patterson
03/10/10 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Regulation Policy Committee; Health Care Appropriations Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council
03/10/10 HOUSE Now in Health Care Regulation Policy Committee

SB 1382-Relating to Child Care Facilities by Rich

Summary

This bill revises provisions relating to standards that child care facilities must meet to obtain and maintain a Gold Seal Quality Care provider designation. The bill requires the Department of Children and Families to notify specified accrediting associations upon adoption of additional or revised Gold Seal Quality Care program standards. This bill

also revises minimum age requirements and establishes minimum education standards for child care personnel. Minimum staff credential requirements are redefined. Effective Date: July 1, 2010

Actions

02/03/10 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Health and Human Services Appropriations

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/13/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health and Human Services Appropriations; 6 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/15/10 SENATE Placed on Calendar, on second reading

Similar

HB 1203-Relating to Early Learning by Nelson

04/19/10 HOUSE Favorable with CS by Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; 17 Yeas, 0 Nays

HB719-Relating to Child Care by Zapata

01/28/10 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Services Policy Committee; Health Care Appropriations Committee; Health & Family Services Policy Council

HB 1505-Relating to John M. McKay Scholarships for Students with Disabilities Program by Flores

Summary

This bill revises student eligibility requirements for participation in this scholarship program. It authorizes students who are eligible to enter kindergarten to receive the John M. McKay Scholarship. It provides eligibility requirements for students identified with a developmental delay and authorizes students who were enrolled and reported by a school district for funding during any prior year to receive the scholarship. The bill authorizes the Commissioner of Education to deny, suspend, or revoke a private school's participation in the program for certain acts or omissions by owner or operator. And finally the bill permits students to receive instruction and services at a site other than the physical location of the private school under specified conditions.

Effective Date: July 1, 2010

Actions

03/01/10 HOUSE Filed

03/10/10 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Policy Committee; PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; Education Policy Council

3/17/10 HOUSE Favorable with CS by PreK-12 Policy Committee; 12 Yeas, 0 Nays

03/26/10 HOUSE Favorable by PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/07/10 HOUSE Favorable by Education Policy Council; 16 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/21/10 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 115 Yeas / 0 Nays)

SENATE In Messages

Compare

SB 2746 -Relating to Education Programs for Children with Disabilities by Gardiner

03/09/10 SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Commerce; Education Pre-K - 12

Appropriations

04/14/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Education Pre-K - 12; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/16/10 SENATE Reference to Commerce and Education Pre-K - 12 Appropriations removed; Reference to Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means; Remaining reference: Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

04/20/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Policy and Steering Committee on Ways and

Means; 21 Yeas, 0 Nays

SB 2192-Relating to Prepaid Developmental Disabilities Savings Program Peaden, Jr.
Summary

This bill provides for administration and management of the savings program by the Florida Prepaid College Board in conjunction with the Stanley G. Tate Florida Prepaid College Program. The bill provides that the prepaid contract fund and the investment fund shall consist of certain moneys. The bill creates the Prepaid Services for Parents of Children with Developmental Disabilities Study Group.

Effect of Proposed Changes: The Savings Program provides that the legislature intends:

- The creation of such a program can offer accessibility to services regardless of a family's income, insurance or Medicaid eligibility.
- A program consisting of a prepaid contract plan and an investment plan will allow for advance payment of or saving for the costs associated with developmentally disabled children as they age out of the education system.
- The prepaid contract plan is to be interchangeable with an advance payment plan of the Stanley G. Tate Florida Prepaid College Program.
- The investment plan is to be a supplement or alternative to the prepaid contract plan, which will allow funds to be placed in trust to meet future needs.
- The program is to be conducted to maximize program efficiency and effectiveness.

EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

02/18/10 SENATE Filed

03/01/10 SENATE Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Governmental Oversight and Accountability; Finance and Tax; Higher Education Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/18/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; 8 Yeas, 0 Nays
04/14/10 SENATE Favorable by Governmental Oversight and Accountability; 7 Yeas, 0 Nays

04/15/10 SENATE Now in Finance and Tax

Identical

HB 1111-Relating to Prepaid Developmental Disabilities Savings Program by Ford

03/01/10 HOUSE Referred to Health Care Services Policy Committee; State Universities & Private Colleges Policy Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development; Health & Family Services Policy Council
HOUSE Now in Health Care Services Policy Committee

SB 2200 - Relating to Allocation/Expenditure of State Lottery Revenues by Altman
Summary

This bill requires net proceeds from a scratch-off lottery game to be allocated to the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Education to be distributed to programs offering services to individuals with developmental disabilities. EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

02/18/10 SENATE Filed

03/01/10 SENATE Referred to Regulated Industries; Education Pre-K - 12; Education

Pre-K - 12 Appropriations; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

Identical Bills

HB 0943 - Relating to Allocation and Expenditure of State Lottery Revenues by Proctor
02/18/10 HOUSE Referred to PreK-12 Appropriations Committee; Governmental Affairs
Policy Committee; Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic Development

HB 5303-Relating to Agency for Persons with Disabilities Health Care Appropriations
Committee

Summary

This bill revises provisions relating to order of priority for clients with developmental disabilities waiting for waiver services and extends the date for implementation for certain categories of clients. The bill specifies assessment instruments to be used for delivery of home and community-based services and provides a limit on annual expenditures for clients with certain service needs. The bill directs the agency to eliminate behavior assistance services and reduces the geographic differential for Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, and Monroe Counties for residential habilitation services. Finally, the bill establishes the iBudget program for delivery of home and community-based services and provides for hearings on Medicaid programs administered by the agency. Effective Date: July 1, 2010

03/17/10 HOUSE Filed (Formerly Filed PCB HCA3)

03/18/10 HOUSE Referred to Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic
Development

03/23/10 HOUSE Favorable by Full Appropriations Council on Education & Economic
Development; 12 Yeas, 6 Nays

04/01/10 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 76 Yeas / 43 Nays); Immediately
Certified; Requests that the Senate pass the bill as passed by the House or agree to
conference

SENATE In Messages

04/05/10 SENATE Referred to Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

04/06/10 SENATE Withdrawn from Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means;
Placed on Calendar; Read Second Time; Amendment Adopted (649486); Read Third
Time; Passed (Vote: 29 Yeas / 10 Nays); Immediately Certified; Refused to concur,
acceded to the request of the House for conference

HOUSE in returning messages

Compare

SB 1468 Relating to Home and Community-based Services by Peaden, Jr.

01/27/10 SENATE Filed

02/03/10 SENATE Referred to Health and Human Services Appropriations; Policy &
Steering Committee on Ways and Means; Rules

03/19/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Health and Human Services Appropriations; 4
Yeas, 2 Nays

03/22/10 SENATE Reference to Rules removed; Remaining references: Policy &
Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/26/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and
Means; 16 Yeas, 4 Nays

03/31/10 SENATE Read Second Time; Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 26 Yeas / 10
Nays)

In Budget Conference

SB 4- Relating to Education Accountability by Detert CoSponsors: Altman, Baker,

Fasano, Gaetz, Negrón, Peadar, Jr., Richter, Storms, Thrasher,

Summary

The bill amends a provision relating to secondary school redesign, to delete obsolete provisions and to conform to changes made by the act. Revises requirements for middle grades promotion. The bill provides that successful completion of a high school level Algebra I, Geometry, or Biology I course is not contingent upon a student's performance on the end-of-course assessment. The bill revises requirements for high school graduation. Finally, the bill creates the Credit Acceleration Program, etc.
EFFECTIVE DATE: 07/01/2010.

Actions

03/01/10 SENATE Filed

SENATE Referred to Education Pre-K - 12; Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/10/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Education Pre-K - 12; 6 Yeas, 2 Nays

03/16/10 SENATE Favorable with CS by Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means; 16 Yeas, 7 Nays

03/17/10 SENATE Removed from Policy & Steering Committee on Ways and Means

03/18/10 meeting agenda

03/24/10 SENATE Read Third Time; Amendments Adopted (839348, 824818, 622996, 445874); Amendments Withdrawn (298772, 404452, 841080, 957986); Passed (Vote: 36 Yeas / 1 Nays)

04/07/10 HOUSE Substituted for HB 7053; Read Second Time; Amendments Failed (062895, 445691, 494087); Amendment Withdrawn (751847)

04/08/10 HOUSE Read Third Time; Passed (Vote: 106 Yeas / 12 Nays)

04/20/10 Approved by Governor, Chapter No. 2010-22