

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

SENATE AMENDMENTS TO H.B. 2137

(Reference to House engrossed bill)

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert:

2 Section 1. Section 41-2022, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to
3 read:

4 41-2022. Infants and toddlers with developmental delays; lead
5 agency; interagency agreements; initial
6 individualized service plans; service options

7 A. The department of economic security shall serve as the lead
8 agency for the coordination of a system of early intervention programs and
9 services to infants and toddlers with developmental delays.

10 B. The interagency coordinating council for infants and toddlers
11 shall advise and assist the department of economic security in developing
12 and implementing the statewide system and shall assist the department of
13 economic security in achieving the full participation, coordination and
14 cooperation of all appropriate public agencies in this state.

15 C. The department of economic security, the department of education,
16 the department of health services, the Arizona health care cost containment
17 system administration and the Arizona state ~~school~~ SCHOOLS for the deaf and
18 the blind shall enter into one or more intergovernmental agreements to
19 develop and implement a comprehensive, coordinated system of early
20 intervention programs and services for infants and toddlers with or at risk
21 of developmental delays and their families in accordance with Public Law
22 99-457 (20 United States Code section 671). The interagency coordinating
23 council for infants and toddlers may assist in the development of the
24 interagency agreements.

1 D. THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE
2 DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL REQUIRE THAT AT THE INITIAL
3 INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN MEETING, AND EVERY SUBSEQUENT REVIEW OF
4 THE INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN, THE DEPARTMENT MUST PROVIDE
5 FAMILIES INFORMATION ON THE IDENTIFIED PRIORITIES, NEEDS, AND OUTCOMES FOR
6 THE INFANT OR TODDLER INCLUDING ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY RESOURCES THAT DO NOT
7 QUALIFY FOR SERVICES UNDER THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT
8 (20 UNITED STATES CODE SECTIONS 1431-1444) AND THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED
9 PURSUANT TO THE ACT. THE DEPARTMENT MUST DEVELOP A COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE
10 THAT IS AVAILABLE TO FAMILIES ELECTRONICALLY. AT THE INITIAL INDIVIDUALIZED
11 FAMILY SERVICE PLAN MEETING THE DEPARTMENT MUST SHOW FAMILIES HOW TO ACCESS
12 THE ELECTRONIC GUIDE AND HAVE PRINT COPIES AVAILABLE BY REQUEST TO FAMILIES
13 WHO CANNOT ACCESS THE ELECTRONIC GUIDE.

14 E. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL DEVELOP A PROCESS FOR INCORPORATING
15 COMMUNITY RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE, PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION
16 D OF THIS SECTION, THAT ENSURES THAT THE LISTED RESOURCES ARE OFFERED IN
17 ARIZONA AND TO THE TARGETED EARLY INTERVENTION POPULATION. THE DEPARTMENT
18 SHALL KEEP THE ELECTRONIC GUIDE UPDATED, AS NECESSARY, WITH NEW RESOURCES.
19 THE RESOURCE GUIDE SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION ON INTERVENTION SERVICE
20 OPTIONS THAT MAY NOT BE COVERED BY THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
21 EDUCATION ACT (20 UNITED STATES CODE SECTIONS 1431-1444) AND THE FAMILY
22 SHALL BE INFORMED IF A SERVICE OPTION IS NOT COVERED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART.
23 THE RESOURCE GUIDE SHALL INCLUDE:

24 1. INFORMATION ON THERAPY SERVICES, INCLUDING OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY,
25 PHYSICAL THERAPY, APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS AND SPEECH-LANGUAGE
26 PATHOLOGY.

27 2. INFORMATION ON TECHNOLOGY SERVICES AND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION
28 RESOURCES INCLUDING ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

- 29 (a) HEARING AIDS.
- 30 (b) COCHLEAR OR BRAINSTEM IMPLANTS.
- 31 (c) BONE-ANCHORED HEARING AIDS.
- 32 (d) OTHER ASSISTIVE DEVICES.

- 1 (e) AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE.
- 2 (f) LISTENING AND SPOKEN LANGUAGE.
- 3 (g) MANUALLY CODED ENGLISH.
- 4 (h) CUED SPEECH.
- 5 (i) SPEECH READING.

6 F. FOR AN INFANT OR TODDLER IDENTIFIED WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENT, A
7 FAMILY MAY CHOOSE TO ENGAGE AN AUDIOLOGIST IN THE INITIAL OR SUBSEQUENT
8 FAMILY SERVICE PLAN MEETING WHERE THE INDIVIDUALIZED FAMILY SERVICE PLAN IS
9 ESTABLISHED OR DISCUSSED TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL AND CLINICAL INFORMATION.

10 G. AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE SERVICES AND PARTICIPATE IN THE SYSTEM OF
11 EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES SHALL HAVE AN UPDATED ELECTRONIC
12 COPY OF THE EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAM COMMUNITY RESOURCE GUIDE AVAILABLE
13 TO FAMILIES.

14 H. THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE
15 DEPARTMENT PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL HAVE A PROCESS TO ALLOW PARENTS
16 TO CHOOSE A NATURAL ENVIRONMENT FOR SERVICES IN WHICH INFANTS AND TODDLERS
17 WITH DISABILITIES PARTICIPATE.

18 I. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL CREATE A PROCESS BY WHICH A FAMILY THAT HAS
19 BEEN REFERRED TO EARLY INTERVENTION PROGRAMS AND SERVICES CAN REQUEST A
20 DIFFERENT SERVICE COORDINATOR FOR THEIR EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES."

21 Amend title to conform

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