

Substitute Bill No. 7168

January Session, 2019



AN ACT CONCERNING TRANSITIONAL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER.

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

- 1 Section 1. Subdivision (9) of subsection (a) of section 10-76d of the
- 2 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
- 3 thereof (*Effective July 1, 2019*):
- (9) The planning and placement team shall, in accordance with the 4 provisions of the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, 20 USC 5 1400, et seq., as amended from time to time, develop and update 6 7 annually a statement of transition service needs for each child 8 requiring special education. Commencing not later than the date on 9 which the first individual education program takes effect for a child 10 who is at least fourteen years of age and diagnosed with autism 11 spectrum disorder, such program shall include (A) appropriate 12 measurable postsecondary goals based upon age-appropriate transition assessments related to training, education, employment and, 13 14 where appropriate, independent living skills; and (B) the transition 15 services, including courses of study, needed to assist a child in 16 reaching those goals. The individual education program shall be 17 updated annually thereafter in accordance with the provisions of this 18 subdivision. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed as 19 requiring the Department of Rehabilitation Services to lower the age of

- 20 <u>transitional services for a child with disabilities from sixteen to</u>
- 21 <u>fourteen years of age.</u>

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

Section 1	July 1, 2019	10-76d(a)(9)

HS Joint Favorable Subst.

ED Joint Favorable