

SENATE BILL No. 232

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: Noncode.

Synopsis: Disability, mental illness, and addiction evaluation. Requires the office of the secretary of family and social services to contract for an evaluation of services and support available in Indiana to individuals with an intellectual or developmental disability and a mental illness or addiction, their families, and providers. Requires the contractor to report findings and recommendations to the commission on developmental disabilities.

Effective: Upon passage.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning human services.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] **(a) As used in this**
2 **SECTION, "divisions" refers to the division of disability and**
3 **rehabilitative services established by IC 12-9-1-1 and the division**
4 **of mental health and addiction established by IC 12-21-1-1.**
5 **(b) As used in this SECTION, "individual" means an individual**
6 **with an intellectual or developmental disability and a mental illness**
7 **or addiction.**
8 **(c) As used in this SECTION, "provider" means a provider of**
9 **clinical or other services, education, training, or other support for**
10 **an individual.**
11 **(d) The office of the secretary of family and social services**
12 **established by IC 12-8-1.5-1 shall, not later than July 1, 2014, enter**
13 **into a contract for an evaluation of, and making of**
14 **recommendations for, the services and system of care available to**
15 **individuals in Indiana. Costs associated with the contract shall be**
16 **paid from the state appropriation for the divisions for the state**
17 **fiscal year and may not exceed seventy-five thousand dollars**



1 (\$75,000).

2 (e) The evaluation under subsection (d) must include evaluation
3 of the following:

4 (1) Availability of clinical, educational, training, and support
5 services for individuals, families, and providers.

6 (2) Whether services are available in the least restrictive
7 manner for the individual.

8 (3) Whether, and what type of, services are available
9 twenty-four (24) hours per day and seven (7) days per week,
10 or otherwise.

11 (4) Availability of emergency and planned respite services.

12 (5) Implementation of crisis prevention and intervention
13 plans.

14 (6) Coordination among providers of services for an
15 individual.

16 (7) Roles and responsibilities of various providers in Indiana
17 with respect to provision of services to individuals.

18 (8) Barriers to provision of sufficient least restrictive methods
19 of services for individuals.

20 (9) Necessary education and training to enable existing
21 providers to broaden the services provided.

22 (10) Opportunities for:

23 (A) coordination of services of;

24 (B) clarification of roles and responsibilities of; and

25 (C) collaboration among;

26 providers.

27 (11) Assessment of currently unaddressed needs of
28 individuals, families, and providers.

29 (12) Methods of accountability among individuals, families,
30 and providers.

31 (13) Other evaluation requested by the divisions.

32 (f) The office of the secretary of family and social services
33 established by IC 12-8-1.5-1, the state department of health
34 established by IC 16-19-1-1, and any provider of services to an
35 individual shall release necessary individually identifiable health
36 information to the contractor under subsection (d). The contractor
37 shall do all of the following:

38 (1) Maintain the confidentiality of all information released
39 under this subsection.

40 (2) Not release information described in subdivision (1) to a
41 third party. However, the contractor shall share the
42 information with the divisions to the minimum extent



1 **necessary to complete the requirements of this SECTION.**
2 **(3) Use information described in subdivision (1) only for the**
3 **purposes specified in this SECTION.**
4 **(4) Destroy information described in subdivision (1) upon the**
5 **conclusion of the evaluation.**
6 **(g) The contractor under subsection (d) shall, not later than**
7 **October 1, 2014, report the findings of the evaluation performed**
8 **under this SECTION, and the recommendations, to the commission**
9 **on developmental disabilities established by IC 2-5-27.2-2 in an**
10 **electronic format. The recommendations must, at a minimum,**
11 **address all the following:**
12 **(1) The manner in which effective and appropriate services**
13 **may be made available to individuals in Indiana.**
14 **(2) Methods of linking together service systems to improve**
15 **access to the services.**
16 **(3) Development and implementation of accountability and**
17 **outcome measures, including individual and family**
18 **satisfaction, cost and treatment effectiveness over time, and**
19 **analysis of necessary changes over time.**
20 **(h) This SECTION expires July 1, 2015.**
21 **SECTION 2. An emergency is declared for this act.**

