

ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 422—ASSEMBLYWOMAN GORELOW

MARCH 27, 2023

Referred to Committee on Health and Human Services

SUMMARY—Revises provisions relating to fetal alcohol spectrum disorders. (BDR S-774)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.  
Effect on the State: Yes.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

AN ACT relating to persons with disabilities; requiring the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and Human Services to create a pilot program to serve children diagnosed with a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

**Legislative Counsel’s Digest:**

1 The federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act establishes a federal  
2 grant program to assist states in operating a statewide comprehensive system of  
3 early intervention services for infants and toddlers with disabilities. (20 U.S.C. §§  
4 1431 et seq.) Existing law establishes the Autism Treatment Assistance Program  
5 within the Aging and Disability Services Division of the Department of Health and  
6 Human Services to serve as the primary autism program within the Department and  
7 to provide and coordinate services to persons diagnosed or determined to have  
8 autism spectrum disorders through the age of 19 years. (NRS 427A.875) Existing  
9 law requires the Division to refer an infant or toddler with a disability who has  
10 autism spectrum disorder and is eligible for early intervention services to the  
11 Program and develop a plan of treatment for the infant or toddler. (NRS 427A.880)  
12 Existing law additionally requires certain providers of health care to notify an  
13 agency which provides child welfare services when the provider knows or has  
14 reasonable cause to believe that a newborn infant has been affected by a fetal  
15 alcohol spectrum disorder. (NRS 432B.220) This bill: (1) requires the Division to  
16 create a pilot program to serve children diagnosed with a fetal alcohol spectrum  
17 disorder and requires the pilot program to be administered by the Autism Treatment  
18 Assistance Program.



THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, REPRESENTED IN  
SENATE AND ASSEMBLY, DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1       **Section 1.** (Deleted by amendment.)

2       **Sec. 1.5.** 1. The Aging and Disability Services Division of  
3 the Department of Health and Human Services shall create a pilot  
4 program to be administered by the Autism Treatment Assistance  
5 Program established by NRS 427A.875 to serve children diagnosed  
6 with a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.

7       2. The pilot program created pursuant to subsection 1 must  
8 provide evidence-based services and support for children diagnosed  
9 with a fetal alcohol spectrum disorder who do not meet the  
10 requirements to receive such services from existing programs.

11       3. On or before July 1, 2025, the Division shall submit a report  
12 of findings and recommendations resulting from the pilot program  
13 created pursuant to subsection 1 to:

14       (a) The Governor; and

15       (b) The Director of the Legislative Counsel Bureau for  
16 transmittal to the Joint Interim Standing Committee on Health and  
17 Human Services.

18       **Sec. 2.** This act becomes effective on July 1, 2023, and expires  
19 by limitation on December 31, 2025.

