

2018 -- H 8066

=====
LC005385
=====

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2018

A N A C T

RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND
HOSPITALS

Introduced By: Representatives Tanzi, Bennett, McNamara, Carson, and Ranglin-
Vassell

Date Introduced: April 06, 2018

Referred To: House Finance

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 40.1-21-10 of the General Laws in Chapter 40.1-21 entitled
2 "Division of Developmental Disabilities" is hereby amended to read as follows:

3 **40.1-21-10. Appropriations.**

4 (a) The general assembly shall annually appropriate such sums as it deems necessary to
5 enable the director of behavioral healthcare, developmental disabilities and hospitals to provide or
6 secure services for developmentally disabled adults of this state; and the state controller is hereby
7 authorized and directed to draw his or her orders upon the general treasurer for the payment of
8 such sum or sums or so much thereof as may be required from time to time, upon the receipt by
9 him or her of vouchers properly authenticated.

10 (b) In the event that the general assembly approves an increase to the state's minimum
11 wage rate, the funding appropriated to staffing for development disabilities direct support services
12 shall be increased by an equal amount and shall be effective on the date the minimum wage rate
13 change takes effect.

14 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon passage.

=====
LC005385
=====

EXPLANATION
BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OF

A N A C T

RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND
HOSPITALS

- 1 This act would increase funding appropriated to staffing for developmental disabilities
- 2 direct support services by an equal amount when an increase of the minimum wage rate occurs.
- 3 This act would take effect upon passage.

=====
LC005385
=====