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AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to the early rate restructuring work group and early intervention demonstration projects

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

1 Section 1. The public health law is amended by adding two new sections
2 2555 and 2555-a to read as follows:

3 S 2555. EARLY INTERVENTION RATE RESTRUCTURING WORK GROUP. THE COMMIS-
4 SIONER IS DIRECTED, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE
5 OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, TO COLLECT INFOR-
6 MATION ON REVENUES AND EXPENSES OF EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE PROVIDERS
7 AND TO ESTABLISH A WORK GROUP TO REVIEW THE FISCAL DATA COLLECTED AND
8 RECOMMEND, WHERE APPROPRIATE, A REDESIGN OF THE REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEM FOR
9 EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES. FOR APPROVED EARLY INTERVENTION PROVIDERS
10 REQUIRED TO SUBMIT A CONSOLIDATED FISCAL REPORT (CFR) TO ANOTHER STATE
11 AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT, SUCH AGENCY OR DEPARTMENT SHALL FORWARD TO THE
12 DEPARTMENT SUCH RELEVANT CFR INFORMATION AS MAY BE REQUESTED. FOR
13 APPROVED EARLY INTERVENTION PROVIDERS NOT REQUIRED TO FILE A CFR WITH
14 ANOTHER STATE DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REQUIRE SUCH
15 INFORMATION AS NECESSARY FOR COMPARABILITY TO CFR INFORMATION. THE WORK
16 GROUP SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, REPRESENTATIVES OF MUNICI-
17 PALITIES AS WELL AS STATEWIDE AND REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES OF PROVIDERS
18 OF EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REPORT TO THE
19 LEGISLATURE, NO LATER THAN MARCH THIRTY-FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN, THE
20 FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE WORK GROUP AND SHALL PREPARE FOR
21 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE REDESIGNED REIMBURSEMENT SYSTEM EFFECTIVE FOR THE
22 JULY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND TEN PROGRAM YEAR.

23 S 2555-A. EARLY INTERVENTION DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS. THE COMMISSIONER,
24 IN CONSULTATION WITH THE COMMISSIONER OF THE OFFICE OF MENTAL RETARDA-

EXPLANATION--Matter in ITALICS (underscored) is new; matter in brackets
[] is old law to be omitted.

1 TION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, SHALL DEVELOP AND DISSEMINATE A
2 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS TO ESTABLISH EARLY INTERVENTION DEMONSTRATION
3 PROJECTS SO THAT CHILDREN WITH MULTIPLE SERVICE NEEDS CAN RECEIVE
4 SERVICES IN A COMPREHENSIVE, COORDINATED, COLLABORATIVE, FAMILY-CENTERED
5 APPROACH AND EXPLORE ALTERNATIVE SERVICE DELIVERY AND REIMBURSEMENT
6 MODELS FOR EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY. THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
7 TO REIMBURSE PROVIDERS IN AN ALTERNATIVE MANNER AS APPROVED IN THE
8 DEMONSTRATION PROJECT. THE DEPARTMENT, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE
9 OF MENTAL RETARDATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SHALL ESTABLISH A
10 MINIMUM OF SIX SUCH EARLY INTERVENTION DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS IN AT
11 LEAST FOUR REGIONS OF THE STATE. AT LEAST TWO OF THESE EARLY INTER-
12 VENTION DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS SHALL BEGIN NO LATER THAN JANUARY FIRST,
13 TWO THOUSAND TEN. THE COMMISSIONER SHALL REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON
14 THE EFFECTIVENESS AND EFFICIENCY OF SUCH ALTERNATIVE DELIVERY AND
15 REIMBURSEMENT MODELS ON JANUARY FIRST, TWO THOUSAND ELEVEN.
16 S 2. This act shall take effect immediately.