STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN ASSEMBLY

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Introduced by M. of A. HEVESI -- read once and referred to the Committee on Children and Families

AN ACT to amend the social services law, in relation to certain data to be reported regarding child welfare preventive services; and to amend a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the social services law relating to reporting data on child welfare preventive services, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 8421-A and A. 10513, in relation to the effectiveness thereof

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 11 of section 409-a of the social services law, as added by a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the social services law relating to reporting data on child welfare preventive services, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 8421-A and A. 10513, is amended to read as follows:

11. (a) The office of children and family services shall collect the following data regarding preventive services, as defined in section four hundred nine of this title, and compile an annual report on such data by local social services district:

(i) the total number of children and families **admitted to or** receiving **a new service authorization for** preventive services [~~at the end of each month~~] **during the preceding calendar year**;

(ii) the total annual number of unduplicated children and families receiving **one or more days of** preventive services including how many new preventive cases were opened during the preceding calendar year and to the extent [~~practicable~~] **such information is known and available after making all diligent efforts**, the referral source for each new case;

(iii) the [~~average length of time preventive services were provided for each child or family~~] **total number of children and families whose preventive services authorization was closed** during the preceding calen-

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

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dar year[~~, as well as an indication of whether such case had been closed during such year~~];

(iv) a descriptive list of the services and their utilization rate**, if practicable,** in each local social services district which utilize preventive service funding as allowable under section one hundred fifty-three-k of this chapter;

(v) a descriptive list[~~,~~] and their utilization rate**,** if practicable, of other preventive services provided by a local social services district that does not utilize preventive service funding pursuant to section one hundred fifty-three-k of this chapter. For purposes of this paragraph, other preventive services shall include **but not be limited to** primary preventive services which may be funded through community optional preventive services funding[~~,~~] **or** home visiting funds [~~or other federal, state or local funds~~];

(vi) the total number of children who entered foster care during the preceding calendar year who had received preventive services at any point during the twelve-months prior to their entry into foster care; and

(vii) any other information the commissioner may deem necessary to include in said report.

(b) The office of children and family services shall submit such report to the governor, the speaker of the assembly, the temporary president of the senate, the chairpersons of the assembly and senate children and families committees, the chairperson of the assembly ways and means committee and the chairperson of the senate finance committee starting no later than September first, two thousand twenty-one. Such report shall include data and information required by paragraph (a) of this subdivision for the preceding calendar year, to the extent such information is available. When practicable, such information shall be disaggregated by age, sex, race and ethnicity.

(c) The initial report shall include the aforementioned data from the preceding two calendar years.

§ 2. Section 2 of a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the social services law relating to reporting data on child welfare preventive services, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 8421-A and A. 10513, is amended to read as follows:

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately **and shall expire and be deemed repealed September 1, 2024**.

§ 3. This act shall take effect immediately; provided however that section one of this act shall take effect on the same date and in the same manner as a chapter of the laws of 2020 amending the social services law relating to reporting data on child welfare preventive services, as proposed in legislative bills numbers S. 8421-A and A. 10513, takes effect.