

1 TO THE HONORABLE SENATE:

2 The Committee on Health and Welfare to which was referred Senate Bill
3 No. 7 entitled “An act relating to the evaluation of social service integration
4 with accountable care organizations” respectfully reports that it has considered
5 the same and recommends that the bill be amended by striking out all after the
6 enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

7 Sec. 1. REPORT; INTEGRATION OF SOCIAL SERVICES

8 On or before November 1, 2020, the Agency of Human Services, in
9 collaboration with the Green Mountain Care Board, shall submit to the House
10 Committees on Appropriations, on Health Care, and on Human Services and
11 the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare a plan to
12 coordinate the financing and delivery of Medicaid Behavioral Health Services
13 and Medicaid Home- and Community-Based Services with the All-Payer
14 Financial Target Services.

15 Sec. 2. REPORT; EVALUATION OF SOCIAL SERVICE INTEGRATION
16 WITH ACCOUNTABLE CARE ORGANIZATIONS

17 On or before September 1, 2019, the Green Mountain Care Board shall
18 submit a report to the House Committees on Health Care and on Human
19 Services and to the Senate Committee on Health and Welfare evaluating the
20 manner and degree to which social services, including services provided by the
21 parent-child center network; designated and specialized service agencies; and

1 home health and hospice agencies are integrated into accountable care
2 organizations (ACOs) certified pursuant to 18 V.S.A. § 9382. The evaluation
3 shall address:

4 (1) the number of social service providers receiving payments through
5 one or more ACOs, if any, and for which services;

6 (2) the extent to which any existing relationships between social service
7 providers and one or more ACOs address childhood trauma or resilience
8 building; and

9 (3) recommendations to enhance integration between social service
10 providers and ACOs, if appropriate.

11 Sec. 3. 33 V.S.A. § 3403 is amended to read;

12 § 3403. DIRECTOR OF TRAUMA PREVENTION AND RESILIENCE
13 DEVELOPMENT

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15 (b) The Director shall:

16 (1) provide advice and support to the Secretary of Human Services and
17 facilitate communication and coordination among the Agency's departments
18 with regard to childhood adversity, toxic stress, and the promotion of resilience
19 building;

20 (2) collaborate with both community and State partners, including the
21 Agency of Education and the Judiciary, to build consistency between trauma-

1 informed systems that address medical and social service needs and serve as a
2 conduit between providers and the public;

3 (3) provide support for and dissemination of educational materials
4 pertaining to childhood adversity, toxic stress, and the promotion of resilience
5 building, including to postsecondary institutions within Vermont's State
6 College System and the University of Vermont and State Agricultural College;

7 (4) coordinate with partners inside and outside State government,
8 including the Child and Family Trauma Work Group;

9 (5) evaluate the statewide system, including the work of the Agency and
10 the Agency's grantees and community contractors, that addresses resilience
11 and trauma-prevention;

12 (6) evaluate, in collaboration with the Department for Children and
13 Families and providers addressing childhood adversity prevention and
14 resilience building services, strategies for linking pediatric primary care with
15 the parent-child center network and other social services; ~~and~~

16 (7) coordinate the training of all Agency employees on childhood
17 adversity, toxic stress, resilience building, and the Agency's Trauma-Informed
18 System of Care policy and post training opportunities for child care providers,
19 afterschool program providers, educators, and health care providers on the
20 Agency's website; and

1 (8) serve as a resource in ensuring new models used by community
2 social service providers are aligned with the State’s goals for trauma-informed
3 prevention and resilience.

4 Sec. 4. REPORT; SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDER AND PEDIATRIC
5 PRIMARY CARE PARTNERSHIP

6 On or before October 1, 2019, the Director of Trauma Prevention and
7 Resilience Development established pursuant to 33 V.S.A. § 3403 and the
8 Director of Maternal and Child Health shall submit a report to the House
9 Committees on Health Care and on Human Services and the Senate Committee
10 on Health and Welfare, in consultation with stakeholders, assessing:

11 (1) the model in which a social service provider is embedded within a
12 pediatric primary care practice, including recommendations for the further
13 development and expansion of this model in coordination with any proposals
14 for reform resulting from the CHINS review conducted pursuant to 2018 (Sp.
15 Sess.) Acts and Resolves No. 11, Sec. C.106; and

16 (2) the Strong Families Sustained Home Visiting Programs.

17 Sec. 5. EFFECTIVE DATE

18 This act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

19 and that after passage the title of the bill be amended to read: “An act
20 relating to social service integration with Vermont’s health care system”

1 (Committee vote: _____)

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Senator _____

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FOR THE COMMITTEE