

HOUSE BILL No. 4559

April 10, 1989, Introduced by Reps. Joe Young, Sr., Kilpatrick, Harrison, Gubow, Joe Young, Jr., DeMars, Allen, Perry Bullard, Stallworth, Leland and Wallace and referred to the Committee on Mental Health.

A bill to amend section 100 of Act No. 258 of the Public Acts of 1974, entitled as amended

"Mental health code,"

being section 330.1100 of the Michigan Compiled Laws; and to add sections 162 and 163.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Section 1. Section 100 of Act No. 258 of the Public Acts of
2 1974, being section 330.1100 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is
3 amended and sections 162 and 163 are added to read as follows:

4 Sec. 100. As used in this chapter, unless the context
5 requires otherwise:

6 (a) "Department" means the department of mental health.

7 (b) "Director" means the director of the department of
8 mental health.

1 (C) "OFFICE" MEANS THE OFFICE OF MULTI-CULTURAL SERVICES
2 CREATED IN SECTION 162.

3 (D) "MINORITY" MEANS BLACKS, HISPANICS, NATIVE AMERICANS,
4 ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDERS, AND ARAB-AMERICANS.

5 SEC. 162. THE OFFICE OF MULTI-CULTURAL SERVICES IS CREATED
6 WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT. THE OFFICE SHALL BE HEADED BY A DIRECTOR
7 APPOINTED BY THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH.

8 SEC. 163. THE OFFICE SHALL DO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

9 (A) INVESTIGATE AND REPORT TO THE DIRECTOR, THE GOVERNOR,
10 AND THE LEGISLATURE ON CONDITIONS AFFECTING THE MENTAL HEALTH OF
11 MINORITIES.

12 (B) RECOMMEND TO THE DIRECTOR AND THE GOVERNOR REMEDIES FOR
13 ELIMINATING INEQUITIES BETWEEN MINORITY AND MAJORITY MENTAL
14 HEALTH STATUS AND ON BUDGET AND GRANT REQUESTS FOR MINORITY
15 MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS.

16 (C) RECOMMEND TO THE DIRECTOR TREATMENT METHODS AND PROGRAMS
17 THAT ARE SENSITIVE AND RELEVANT TO THE UNIQUE CULTURAL AND ETHNIC
18 CHARACTERISTICS OF MINORITIES.

19 (D) ADVOCATE FOR ADOPTION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF EFFECTIVE
20 MEASURES TO IMPROVE MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH.

21 (E) PROVIDE CONSULTATION AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO AGEN-
22 CIES AND GROUPS ATTEMPTING TO IMPROVE MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH PRO-
23 GRAMS FOR THE PURPOSES OF PLANNING, PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT, ADMINIS-
24 TRATION, AND EVALUATION.

25 (F) AWARD GRANTS TO COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO CONDUCT
26 SPECIAL RESEARCH, DEMONSTRATION, AND EVALUATION PROJECTS DESIGNED
27 TO DEVELOP MODEL PROGRAMS PROMOTING MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH.

1 (G) INCREASE PUBLIC AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AWARENESS OF
2 MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH CONCERNS, AND ENCOURAGE, PROMOTE, AND AID
3 IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS.

4 (H) FORM AND COORDINATE A NETWORK OF COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH
5 ACTION TEAMS TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS AND MONITOR RESULTS ON A COM-
6 MUNITY BASIS.

7 (I) PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PROGRAMS AVAILABLE TO PROMOTE
8 MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH.

9 (J) EVALUATE THE EFFECT OF FEDERAL AND STATE STATUTES ON
10 MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOMMEND APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO THE
11 DIRECTOR, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE LEGISLATURE.

12 (K) PROVIDE ADEQUATE AND EFFECTIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORI-
13 TIES TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS ON POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRAM
14 IMPLEMENTATION.

15 (L) ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES RELATED TO MINORITY MENTAL HEALTH
16 AS ASSIGNED BY THE DIRECTOR.