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H.B. NO. 1662-84

A Bill for an Act Relating to Children's Mental Health Services.

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Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 321-175, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

“(a) Commencing on September 1, 1980, and every [five] four years thereafter, the children’s mental health services branch, on or before September 1 of each [five-year] four-year cycle, shall develop and present to the governor and the legislature, as well as release for public inspection and comment, a current statewide children’s mental health services plan which shall include:

- (1) A survey of the children and youth in the State who are (A) in need of and (B) receiving mental health services showing the total number of such children and youth and their geographic distribution;
- (2) Identification of the public and private providers of mental health services to children and youth;
- (3) Identification of the criteria and standards for the treatment to be received by emotion-disturbed or mentally ill children and youth;
- (4) A program for the recruitment, orientation, and inservice training of personnel in community mental health services to children and youth, and to allied fields, including participation, as appropriate, by institutions of higher learning, state and local agencies, and other public and private agencies having relevant expertise;
- (5) A description of the provisions for prevention, early identification, diagnosis, screening, treatment, and rehabilitation (including, with regard to treatment and rehabilitation, services provided through inpatient, outpatient, and community residential facilities) of children and youth in need of mental health services;
- (6) An implementation plan for providing mental health services to all children and youth in the State in each of the above mentioned areas; and
- (7) Any additional matters which may be necessary or appropriate, including recommendations for amendment of laws, changes in administrative practices and patterns of organization, and changes in levels and patterns of financial support relating to children’s mental health services.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 1, 1984.)