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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE HUMAN SERVICES WORKFORCE STUDY COMMITTEE.

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1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Human services workforce study committee

3 A. The human services workforce study committee is established
4 consisting of the following members:

5 1. The chairperson of the senate public safety and human services
6 committee or its successor committee. This member shall serve as
7 cochairperson of the study committee.

8 2. The chairperson of the house of representatives human services
9 committee or its successor committee. This member shall serve as
10 cochairperson of the study committee.

11 3. One representative from a substance abuse service provider who is
12 appointed by the president of the senate.

13 4. One representative from a statewide child care association who is
14 appointed by the president of the senate.

15 5. One representative from a behavioral health service provider agency
16 who is appointed by the president of the senate.

17 6. One representative from a statewide association that provides
18 behavioral health, child welfare, substance abuse and justice services who is
19 appointed by the president of the senate.

20 7. One representative from a child advocacy agency who is appointed by
21 the speaker of the house of representatives.

22 8. One representative from an agency that provides services to people
23 with disabilities who is appointed by the speaker of the house of
24 representatives.

25 9. One representative from a family advocacy agency who is appointed
26 by the speaker of the house of representatives.

27 10. One representative from an elderly care agency who is appointed by
28 the speaker of the house of representatives.

29 11. One representative from a state university who is appointed by the
30 governor.

31 12. One representative from a community college who is appointed by the
32 governor.

33 13. One representative from a social worker's organization who is
34 appointed by the governor.

35 B. The study committee shall:

36 1. Evaluate the human services workforce in this state, including
37 demographics, appropriate amount of workers to adequately serve the
38 population in this state and the necessary wages and benefits for an adequate
39 human services workforce in this state.

40 2. Determine the type of workplace development incentives that are
41 necessary to recruit, develop and sustain a quality human services workforce
42 in this state.

43 3. Review the current regulatory and licensing requirements of the
44 human services workforce and recommend changes to these requirements.

- 1 4. Recommend general reimbursement rates and wages for various
2 services that are provided by the human services workforce in this state.
3 5. Recommend how private human service agencies can collaborate with
4 other public and private organizations in this state to promote quality staff
5 and work conditions in order to recruit and retain sufficient human services
6 staff.
7 6. Submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the speaker
8 of the house of representatives and the president of the senate on or before
9 December 31, 2008. The committee shall provide a copy of the report to the
10 governor, the secretary of state and the director of the Arizona state
11 library, archives and public records.
12 Sec. 2. Delayed repeal
13 This act is repealed from and after September 30, 2009.