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(a) The State Department shall have an advisory council on child welfare composed of one member of the State Board of Social Services appointed by its chairman, one person representing the State Department of Health appointed by the Commissioner, one person representing the State Department of Mental Hygiene appointed by the Commissioner, one person representing the State Department of Employment Security appointed by the State Director, one person representing the State Department of Education appointed by the State Superintendent of Schools, one person representing the State Department of Juvenile Services appointed by the Director, *one person representing the State Office of Economic Opportunity appointed by the Executive Director*, one person representing the courts appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, ~~and~~ six additional persons representing voluntary child welfare organizations and the public appointed by the Governor who shall designate one of said six persons to serve as chairman, AND SEVEN ADDITIONAL PERSONS WHO ARE OR REPRESENT RECIPIENTS OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES SELECTED BY THE GOVERNOR FROM LISTS SUBMITTED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, WHICH LISTS SHALL CONTAIN TWICE THE NUMBER OF PERSONS TO BE SELECTED AND FORMULATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD CONSONANT WITH FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ADVISORY GROUPS IN RELATION TO AND TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Each member of the council shall serve thereon at the pleasure of the official by whom he was appointed, and shall receive no compensation for his service, but shall be paid the reasonable expenses necessary for the discharge of his official duties. The State Director of Social Services shall serve as executive secretary to the advisory council.

(B) THE ADVISORY COUNCIL TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT SHALL HAVE CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INITIATION OF ACTIVITY LEADING TO STRENGTHENED PROGRAMS OF AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES, INCLUDING PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF ILLEGITIMACY, BY PROVIDING LEADERSHIP THROUGH INVESTIGATION AND RECOMMENDATION OF POLICY, PROGRAMS AND PLANS FOR THEIR IMPLEMENTATION.

(C) THE ADVISORY COUNCIL SHALL REPORT THE RESULTS OF ITS INVESTIGATIONS AND MAKE ITS RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE STATE BOARD AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT. THE COUNCIL SHALL PUBLISH ITS ASSESSMENT OF THE PROGRAMS AND EFFECTIVENESS OF THE STATE'S EFFORTS TO STRENGTHEN AID TO FAMILIES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN AND CHILD WELFARE SERVICES AND TO CONTROL ILLEGITIMACY, AND ITS RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THEIR IMPROVEMENT, THROUGH THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO THE GOVERNOR PRIOR TO THE CONVENING OF EACH REGULATION SESSION OF THE GEN-