

(1) ~~at least \$15 million for substance abuse testing, the creation of additional substance abuse treatment slots for at-risk parents, and the provision of coordinated services to the children of at-risk parents; and~~

(2) ~~at least \$1 million for incentives for child welfare personnel to become qualified addictions specialists.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) It is the intent of the General Assembly that the Governor allocate no more than \$16 million per year to the Integration of Child Welfare and Substance Abuse Treatment Act; and

(b) The Governor shall include in the budget for fiscal year 2002 and every year thereafter:

(1) Up to \$10 million for substance abuse assessment and testing and creation of additional substance abuse treatment slots for at-risk parents and their children, and the provision of coordinated prevention and treatment services to at-risk parents and their children;

(2) Up to \$5 million for coordinated services for at-risk parents' children for prevention and treatment of substance abuse; and

(3) Up to \$1 million for incentives for child welfare and addictions personnel to achieve specified levels of expertise as determined by the protocol developed under § 5-1202 of the Family Law Article as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the funds appropriated for the purposes of Section 2 of this Act shall be in addition to any funds appropriated for similar purposes for fiscal year 2001. The funds expended in fiscal year 2002 for the purposes of Section 2 of this Act in excess of the funds appropriated in fiscal year 2001 shall be counted towards fulfilling the requirements of Section 1 of this Act, provided that the funds are included in the Governor's budget request for fiscal year 2002 and every year thereafter. The federal IV-E funds spent for the purposes of Section 1 of this Act as a result of a waiver agreement with the United States Department of Health and Human Services may not be counted towards fulfilling the requirements of Section 2 of this Act.

SECTION 3. 2. 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Governor shall include in the budget for fiscal year 2004, \$500,000 for Department of Human Resources and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall contract with a higher education institute or private entity to conduct Governor shall include in the budget for the fiscal year 2004 \$500,000 for an independent results-based evaluation of the integration of substance abuse treatment and child welfare services in the State. The annual evaluation shall be included in the report required by this Act on or before December 15, 2004.

SECTION 4. 2. 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That nothing in this Act may be interpreted to change the criteria currently used for determining when a child shall be removed from the custody of parents or other legal guardians found to have a substance abuse problem.