

18-407.

(A) BY JANUARY 1 ~~OF EACH YEAR~~, 2003 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER, THE BOARD SHALL SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE GOVERNOR AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(B) IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION DETERMINED BY THE BOARD, USING THE DATA COLLECTED AND PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT, THE REPORT SHALL:

(1) SPECIFY THE NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE INDIVIDUALS THAT:

(I) HAVE APPLIED FOR TRAINING AND SERVICES TO BE FUNDED BY THE STEP PROGRAM IN THE PRIOR CALENDAR YEAR;

(II) ARE PURSUING SKILLS-BASED TRAINING AND THE EXTENT TO WHICH THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE SUCCEEDING IN THE TRAINING;

(III) HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED SKILLS-BASED TRAINING;

(IV) ARE RECEIVING WRAPAROUND SERVICES FUNDED BY THE STEP PROGRAM AND THE TYPE OF SERVICES FUNDED;

(V) HAVE OBTAINED ADVANCED EMPLOYMENT ON COMPLETION OF SKILLS-BASED TRAINING AND ANY CHANGE IN WAGES OR BENEFITS RECEIVED; AND

(VI) ARE PARTICIPATING IN EMPLOYER-BASED TRAINING PROGRAMS AND THE NUMBER AND TYPES OF EMPLOYERS PARTICIPATING IN THESE PROGRAMS; AND

(2) PROVIDE THE RESULTS OF THE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE STEP PROGRAM BASED ON THE STANDARDS ESTABLISHED BY THE BOARD UNDER § 18-404 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

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THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE CITED AS THE "STEP PROGRAM".

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that if a portion of the STEP Program is funded with moneys from the federal Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) block grant, a local workforce investment board that receives a STEP Program grant shall make best efforts to direct a proportionate amount of STEP Program funds to services for individuals ~~that~~ who are current or recent recipients of TANF Program or Family Investment Program services.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that a local workforce investment board that receives a STEP Program grant shall make best efforts to ensure that STEP Program funds are directed primarily towards services for ~~low-income~~ low-income working parents.