

1 SENATE BILL NO. 3

2 INTRODUCED BY KEATING

3 BY REQUEST OF THE JOINT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

4 ON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

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6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ADDING THE COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY AS
7 A MEMBER OF THE INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR STATE PREVENTION PROGRAMS;
8 AMENDING SECTION 2-15-225, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."

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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

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14 interagency coordinating council for state prevention programs consisting of the following ~~40~~ 11 members:

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16 (b) the director of the department of health and environmental sciences provided for in 2-15-2101;
17 (c) the director of the department of corrections and human services provided for in 2-15-2301;
18 (d) the attorney general provided for in 2-15-501;
19 (e) the director of the department of social and rehabilitation services provided for in 2-15-2201;
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21 (g) the presiding officer of the Montana children's trust fund board;
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23 provision of prevention programs and services; ~~and~~

24 (i) the administrator of the board of crime control provided for in 2-15-2006; and

25 (j) the commissioner of labor and industry provided for in 2-15-1701.

26 (2) The coordinating council shall perform the following duties:

27 (a) develop through interagency planning efforts a comprehensive and coordinated prevention
28 program delivery system that will strengthen the healthy development, well-being, and safety of children,
29 families, individuals, and communities;

30 (b) develop appropriate interagency prevention programs and services that address the problems

1 of at-risk children and families and that can be provided in a flexible manner to meet the needs of those
2 children and families;

3 (c) study various financing options for prevention programs and services;

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5 and families with specific or multiagency needs; and

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7 public and private providers of prevention programs.

8 (3) The coordinating council shall cooperate with and report to any standing or interim legislative
9 committee that is assigned to study the policies and funding for prevention programs or other state
10 programs and policies related to children and families.

11 (4) The coordinating council must be compensated, reimbursed, and otherwise governed by the
12 provisions of 2-15-122.

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14 which may assist in providing staff and budgetary, administrative, and clerical services to the council as
15 the council or its presiding officer requests.

16 (6) Staffing and other resources may be provided to the coordinating council only from state and
17 nonstate resources donated to the council and from direct appropriations by each legislature."

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