



SOCIAL SERVICES APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE
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HUMAN SERVICES – REQUIRED REPORTS BY STATUTE

ISSUE BRIEF

SUMMARY

The following reports are required by statute.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

The Legislature is not required to take any action on these reports unless it so chooses.

REPORTS REQUIRED BY STATUTE:

The following reports are required by statute:

1. **Division of Child and Family Services describing the difference between actual performance and performance goals for the prior fiscal year [UCA 62A-4a-117 (4)]:**

(5) Before January 1 each year the director shall submit a written report to the Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel and the Joint Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee that includes:

- (a) a comparison between the performance indicators for the prior fiscal year and the performance standards;*
- (b) for each performance indicator that does not meet the performance standard:

 - (i) the reason the standard was not met;*
 - (ii) the measures that need to be taken to meet the standard; and*
 - (iii) the division's plan to comply with the standard for the current fiscal year;**
- (c) data on the extent to which new and experienced division employees have received training pursuant to statute and division policy; and*
- (d) an analysis of the use and efficacy of in-home services, both before and after removal of a child from the child's home.*

In compliance with this reporting requirement, the Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) has submitted the following reports:

- *Department of Human Services – Office of Services Review – Fiscal Year 2015 – A System Review of the Division of Child and Family Services:*

http://hsosr.utah.gov/pdf/2015_OSRA_Annual_Report.pdf

- *Western Region Marked Decline Plan:*

<http://dcfs.utah.gov/pdf/reports/WesternRegionPIP.pdf>

- The DCFS annual report:

<http://dcfs.utah.gov/reports/>

2. **Respite Care Assistance Fund [UCA 62A-1-119(9)]**

The Department of Human Services shall make an annual report to the appropriate appropriations subcommittee of the Legislature regarding the status of the fund, including a report on the contributions received, expenditures made, and programs and services funded.

As part of an in-depth budget review, [Review of "Off-Budget" Funds and Operations](#), presented to the Executive Appropriations Committee (EAC) on November 19, 2013, EAC approved the following: *The Analyst recommends*

the Department of Human Services spend the minimal balance in the fund and then have the Division of Finance close the fund given there has not been any significant fund activity since its creation. The Utah Developmental Disabilities Council does not object.

The Developmental Disabilities Council states, “The Respite Trust Fund money has been spent on an appropriate family and the report has been received.” The statutory requirement to report annually on this fund has also been recommended for repeal.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES ANNUAL REPORTS:

Office of Services Review - FY 2015 Annual Report:

http://hsosr.utah.gov/pdf/2015_OSRA_Annual_Report.pdf

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Annual Report:

<http://dsamh.utah.gov/data/annual-reports/>

Drug Court Program – Annual Report:

<http://dsamh.utah.gov/data/drug-court/>

Services for People with Disabilities - Annual Report:

<http://dspd.utah.gov/research-and-reports/annual-report/>

Child and Family Services - Annual Report:

<http://dcfs.utah.gov/reports/>

Aging and Adult Services - Annual Report:

<http://daas.utah.gov/annual-reports/>