

This morning the House and Senate wrapped up their lame duck session.

Items that PASSED IN LAME DUCK

SB 601 – FY19 Supplemental Budget, Items included in the FY19 Supplemental budget related to Behavioral Health services:

- Autism Alliance of Michigan – One-Time Provides \$466,000 GF/GP to the Autism Alliance of Michigan to pilot a fidelity review and secondary approval for children receiving Medicaid who are evaluated for autism services. **Gross (GF/GP) \$466,000 (\$466,000)**
- Direct Care Wage Increase Includes \$16.0 million Gross (\$5.1 million GF/GP) to increase direct care behavioral health worker wages by \$0.25 per hour. Funding supports the wage increase beginning April 1, 2019. **Gross /Federal (GF/GP) \$16,000,000 10,899,500 (\$5,100,500)**

HB 5818 – 5820 – Including guardians to mental health code, related to court order treatment.

HB 5505, 5506 & 6400 - clarify when you need to license an adult foster care home. HB 5505 proposes by not requiring licensure for settings of up to 4 adults receiving benefits from a CMH services program. HB 5506 includes transferring the cost of the FBI criminal history checks to AFC licensees beginning July 1, 2020.

SB 962 - The bill would allow certain facilities to be dually licensed as adult foster care facilities and substance use disorder programs so that an individual seeking treatment for a substance use disorder and mental health issues could be treated at a single facility, as long as the facility was approved as a co-occurring enhanced crisis residential program.

SB 1171 – Revised version of minimum wage bill passed in September – already signed by the Governor.

SB 1175 – Earned Sick time – Changes the maximum amount of paid sick leave a person can earn to 36 hours a year, as opposed to the 72 hours in the original proposal and exempt businesses with 50 or less employees – already signed by the Governor.

Items that DID NOT PASS in Lame Duck

HBs 5450-5452 – allows those once convicted of some minor felonies and misdemeanors would be allowed to work in some mental health care jobs (nursing homes, psychiatric facilities, & adult foster care homes).

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