



101ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

State of Illinois

2019 and 2020

SB1790

Introduced 2/15/2019, by Sen. Laura Fine

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 527/15
20 ILCS 527/20

Amends the Department of Children and Family Services Statewide Youth Advisory Board Act. Requires the Governor to meet with the Statewide Youth Advisory Board at least 2 times each State fiscal year in order to discuss the issues and concerns of youth in foster care. Provides that, at a minimum, all meetings shall take place in the following regions and subregions: Northern Region, Cook Region, Central Champaign Subregion, Central Peoria Subregion, Central Springfield Subregion, Southern East St. Louis Subregion, and Southern Mt. Vernon Subregion. Provides that all meeting dates and times shall be determined by the Department of Children and Family Services, or its designee, in accordance with the bylaws of the Statewide Youth Advisory Board and the regional youth advisory boards. Requires a liaison or designee of the Director of the Department to attend every meeting of the Statewide Youth Advisory Board; and a liaison or designee identified by the Director of the Department to attend every meeting of a regional youth advisory board to assist in meeting the immediate concerns of youth while at the board meetings. Requires the Department to transport or make transportation arrangements for all active members and leading members of the Statewide Youth Advisory Board and the regional youth advisory boards. Provides that the Statewide Youth Advisory Board shall be directly placed under the office of the Director of the Department and under no other Division or parts of the Department.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Department of Children and Family Services
5 Statewide Youth Advisory Board Act is amended by changing
6 Sections 15 and 20 as follows:

7 (20 ILCS 527/15)

8 Sec. 15. Meetings.

9 (a) Regular meetings of the regional youth advisory boards
10 shall be held monthly.

11 (b) Regular meetings of the Statewide Youth Advisory Board
12 shall be held at least 5 times per year.

13 (c) The Director of the Department ~~or his or her designee~~
14 shall meet with the Statewide Youth Advisory Board at least
15 quarterly in order to discuss the issues and concerns of youth
16 in foster care.

17 (c-5) The Governor shall meet with the Statewide Youth
18 Advisory Board at least 2 times each State fiscal year in order
19 to discuss the issues and concerns of youth in foster care.

20 (d) At a minimum, all ~~All~~ meetings shall take place in the
21 following regions and subregions: Northern Region, Cook
22 Region, Central Champaign Subregion, Central Peoria Subregion,
23 Central Springfield Subregion, Southern East St. Louis

1 Subregion, and Southern Mt. Vernon Subregion. at locations,
2 dates, and times determined by the Department or its designee
3 in accordance with the bylaws for the Statewide Youth Advisory
4 Board and the regional youth advisory boards.

5 (e) All meeting dates and times shall be determined by the
6 Department, or its designee, in accordance with the bylaws of
7 the Statewide Youth Advisory Board and the regional youth
8 advisory boards.

9 (f) A liaison or designee of the Director of the Department
10 shall attend every meeting of the Statewide Youth Advisory
11 Board.

12 (g) A liaison or designee identified by the Director of the
13 Department shall attend every meeting of a regional youth
14 advisory board to assist in meeting the immediate concerns of
15 youth while at the board meetings.

16 (h) The Department shall transport or make transportation
17 arrangements for all active members and the leading members of
18 the Statewide Youth Advisory Board and the regional youth
19 advisory boards.

20 (Source: P.A. 98-806, eff. 1-1-15.)

21 (20 ILCS 527/20)

22 Sec. 20. Operations. The Department or its designee shall
23 manage each board, facilitate meetings, and develop further
24 necessary procedures, including, but not limited to, bylaws for
25 the Statewide Youth Advisory Board and the regional youth

1 advisory boards. The Department shall provide funding
2 necessary to maintain the operations of each board. The
3 Statewide Youth Advisory Board shall be directly placed under
4 the office of the Director of the Department and under no other
5 Division or parts of the Department. The Department shall not
6 provide a Statewide Youth Advisory Board or a regional youth
7 advisory board with any records or information that a public
8 body may withhold or redact pursuant to Section 7 of the
9 Freedom of Information Act.

10 (Source: P.A. 98-806, eff. 1-1-15.)