

AMENDMENTS TO LB792

Introduced by Health and Human Services.

1 1. Strike the original sections and insert the following new
2 sections:

3 Section 1. (1) The Department of Health and Human Services shall
4 create a statewide pilot program to assess the need for substantial
5 efforts to prevent post-traumatic stress disorder through the reduction
6 of community gun violence.

7 (2) The Department of Health and Human Services shall:

8 (a) Assess the degree of community exposure to acts of violence,
9 including, but not limited to, witnessing incidents of fighting or
10 shooting, hearing gunshots, or experiencing an act of community violence;

11 (b) Identify treatment services;

12 (c) Ensure that pilot program providers use the best available
13 evidence-supported assessment procedures and intervention strategies that
14 include non-office-based treatment settings and parent-operated programs;

15 (d) Build a sustainable and accessible program beyond the pilot
16 community to engage community partnerships with key stakeholders,
17 including, but not limited to, churches, law enforcement agencies, civic
18 organizations, and businesses; and

19 (e) Conduct periodic evaluations for all post-traumatic stress
20 disorder assessment and treatment services, including costs and settings
21 for care, and proximal and distal client outcomes.

22 (3) It is the intent of the Legislature to appropriate twenty-five
23 million dollars from the General Fund to carry out this section.

24 Sec. 2. Since an emergency exists, this act takes effect when
25 passed and approved according to law.