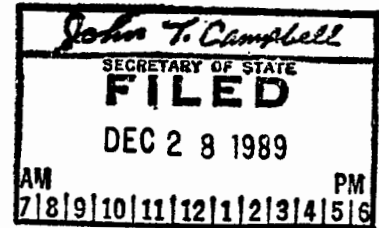


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State of South Carolina

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 89-57

WHEREAS, South Carolina has found a substantial need to enhance the development of infants and toddlers with handicapping conditions and to minimize their potential for developmental delay; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina has found substantial need to reduce the educational cost to our society (or state), including our schools, by minimizing the need for special education and related services after infants and toddlers with handicapping conditions reach school age; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina has a substantial need to minimize the likelihood of institutionalization of handicapped individuals and maximize the potential for their independent living in society; and

WHEREAS, South Carolina has found a substantial need to enhance the capacity for families to meet the special needs of their infants with handicaps.

NOW, THEREFORE, pursuant to the powers conferred upon me by the Constitution and laws of the state, I hereby establish the State Interagency Coordinating Council for Public Law 99-457.

The State Interagency Coordinating Council for P.L. 99-457 will be composed of 15 members, appointed by the Governor for terms of three years.

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The Council shall be composed of:

Three parents of infants and toddlers or children aged three through six with handicapping conditions;

Three public or private providers of early intervention services for infants and toddlers;

One person involved in training personnel to provide early intervention services for infants and toddlers;

One representative of the General Assembly; and

Other members representing each of the appropriate agencies involved in the provision of or payment for early intervention services to infants and toddlers with handicapping conditions and their families and others selected by the Governor.

The Governor shall designate a member to chair the Council for a term of two years. No member may chair the Council for more than two consecutive terms. The Council must meet at least quarterly.

The Council and its staff in the Governor's Office shall prepare and approve a budget from federal monies provided through P.L. 99-457. The Council staff shall be housed in the Governor's Office.

The Council shall advise and assist the Lead Agency in:

- (1) Development and implementation of policies that constitute the statewide comprehensive, coordinated, multidisciplinary, interagency system of early intervention services for infants and toddlers with handicapping conditions and their families;
- (2) Achieving the full participation, coordination and cooperation of all appropriate public agencies in the State;

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- (3) The effective implementation of the statewide system, by establishing a process that includes:
 - (a) Seeking information about policies that impede timely service delivery, and
 - (b) Taking steps to ensure that policy problems are resolved;
- (4) Identification of sources of fiscal and other support for early intervention programs, and assignment of financial responsibility to the appropriate agency;
- (5) Promotion of formal interagency agreements which:
 - (a) Define each agency's responsibility in providing and paying for early intervention services;
 - (b) Establish timely dispute resolution procedures, and procedures to ensure that services are provided in a timely manner pending resolution of disputes;
 - (c) Include other components necessary to ensure effective cooperation and coordination among all agencies involved in the State's early intervention program;
- (6) Implementation of a comprehensive child find system that is coordinated with all other major child find efforts in the state; and
- (7) Preparation of applications under Part H, and amendments thereto, including the Lead Agency proposed budget.

The Council shall review and make recommendations to the Governor for the designation of a Lead Agency on an annual basis.

The Council shall advise and make recommendations concerning administration, supervision, and the monitoring of programs and activities receiving assistance. The Council shall oversee the implementation of the requirements of P.L. 99-457.

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To the extent appropriate, the Council shall assist the Lead Agency in the resolution of disputes; and

The Council shall prepare and submit an annual report to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Secretary of Education on the status of early intervention programs operated within the State for infants and toddlers with handicapping conditions, and their families.

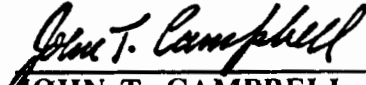
No member of the Council shall cast a vote on any matter which would provide direct financial benefit to that member or otherwise give the appearance of a conflict of interest under state law.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall be in effect until July 1, 1991.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND THE
GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE OF
SOUTH CAROLINA, THIS 28th
DAY OF DECEMBER, 1989.


CARROLL A. CAMPBELL, JR.
Governor

ATTEST:


JOHN T. CAMPBELL
Secretary of State