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SYNOPSIS

Establishes social innovation loan guarantee pilot program and study commission within New Jersey Health Care Facilities Financing Authority concerning opioid and other substance use disorders.

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1 AN ACT establishing a social innovation loan guarantee pilot 2 program concerning opioid and other substance use disorders and 3 supplementing Title 26 of the Revised Statutes. 4 5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State 6 of New Jersey: 7 8 1. As used in P.L. (C.) (pending before the , c. 9 Legislature as this bill): "Authority" means the New Jersey Health Care Facilities 10 Financing Authority established pursuant to section 4 of P.L.1972, 11 12 c.29 (C.26:2I-4). "Eligible organization" means a nonprofit organization that is 13 14 exempt from federal taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the 15 federal Internal Revenue Code (26 U.S.C. s.501(c)(3)) that has applied for participation in the social innovation loan guarantee 16 17 pilot program established pursuant to section 2 of c. 18 P.L. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as 19 this bill), and is selected by the study commission as qualified to receive a loan guarantee from the "social innovation loan guarantee 20 fund" established pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 21 , c. (C.) 22 (pending before the Legislature as this bill). 23 "Pilot program" means the social innovation loan guarantee pilot 24 program established pursuant to section 2 of P.L. , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill). 25 "Social innovation loan guarantee fund" or "fund" means the 26 fund established pursuant to section 4 of P.L. 27 , c. (C.) 28 (pending before the Legislature as this bill). "Study commission" means the New Jersey Social Innovation 29 30 Study Commission established pursuant to section 3 of P.L. ,) (pending before the Legislature as this 31 c. (C. 32 bill). 33 "Treatment and prevention services" means the treatment and 34 prevention of opioid and other substance use disorders. 35 36 2 a. There is established a five-year social innovation loan 37 guarantee pilot program within the New Jersey Health Care 38 Facilities Financing Authority to administer and determine the 39 effectiveness of a social innovation loan guarantee pilot program. The pilot program shall concern nonprofit health care services that 40 41 provide for the treatment and prevention of opioid and other 42 substance use disorders with the purpose of encouraging private investment in those treatment and prevention services to lower 43 44 federal, State, and municipal expenditures related to those services. 45 The pilot program shall assess the feasibility of expanding a social 46 innovation loan guarantee pilot program Statewide and expanding 47 the scope of social impact loan guarantees, made pursuant to 48 subsection b. of this section, beyond the health care sector.

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1 b. Under the pilot program established pursuant to subsection 2 a. of this section, the authority shall guarantee loans issued to 3 eligible organizations for the provision of treatment and prevention 4 services that generate positive social outcomes and public sector 5 cost savings. Each loan guarantee shall be facilitated by the study 6 commission established pursuant to section 3 of) (pending before the Legislature 7 P.L. c. (C. 8 as this bill) and consist of:

9 (1) A lending agreement between an eligible organization, a 10 lender, and a public sector entity which provides: (a) the eligible organization with direct funding from a lender in exchange for the 11 12 provision of treatment and prevention services; (b) the public sector 13 entity with treatment and prevention services in exchange for 14 defined payments to the lender in an amount proportional to the 15 amount of public sector savings generated by the provision of those 16 services; and (c) the lender with loan repayments in exchange for 17 the provision of funding to an eligible organization.

(2) A loan guarantee agreement between the authority and all
parties to the lending agreement from paragraph (1) of this
subsection which shall require the lending agreement to conform to
the requirements established pursuant to P.L. , c. (C.)
(pending before the Legislature as this bill) or by the authority; and

(3) An agreement between the authority, the public sector entity making performance payments, the eligible organization, and the lender which agrees to a method of measurement and verification of the public health care services to be performed, how the public sector savings are to be calculated, how the interest rate will be determined, and how funds shall flow between the parties according to each of the agreements made pursuant to this subsection.

c. 30 Up to 100 percent of the value of a loan agreement entered 31 into pursuant to subsection b. of this section may be guaranteed by 32 the authority, provided that the total amount in the aggregate of all 33 loans guaranteed under the social innovation loan guarantee pilot 34 program established pursuant to P.L. , c. (C.) (pending 35 before the Legislature as this bill) shall not exceed \$15,000,000.

36 d. The authority, in cooperation with the study commission and 37 the Department of Human Services, shall offer to guarantee loans 38 made pursuant to subsection b. of this section utilizing funds from 39 the social innovation loan guarantee fund established pursuant to 40 section 4 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature 41 as this bill) to provide a loan guarantee for the purposes of 42 subsection b. of this section. The authority shall consider the 43 following factors:

44 (1) The economic feasibility of the treatment and prevention45 services;

46 (2) The degree to which the treatment and prevention services
47 will advance Statewide and regional treatment and prevention
48 services strategies and objectives;

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(3) The degree to which the treatment and prevention services
 maximizes the leverage of other State funds; and

3 (4) The factors listed in paragraph (1) of subsection e. of section
4 3 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this
5 bill).

6 e. A lender or nonprofit organization seeking to participate in 7 the social innovation loan guarantee pilot program shall submit an 8 application in a form as the authority shall require. The application 9 shall include any information the authority shall determine is 10 necessary.

A loan guarantee agreement entered into pursuant to 11 f. 12 subsection b. of this section shall provide that any loan guaranteed 13 by the authority shall: (1) be for a loan having a fair effective 14 interest rate as determined by the authority; and (2) contain other 15 terms and conditions considered appropriate by the authority that 16 are consistent with the purposes of P.L., c. (C.) (pending 17 before the Legislature as this bill) and with rules and regulations 18 promulgated by the authority pursuant to section 5 of 19 P.L. c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as 20 this bill).

g. (1) Consistent with federal law, rule, or regulation, each eligible organization that receives a loan guarantee pursuant to P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill) shall undergo an audit, at the organization's own expense, at least once every two calendar years. The authority shall designate an auditor to conduct the audit.

27 (2) If an audit of an eligible organization is performed pursuant 28 to a requirement of federal law, rule, or regulation, the authority 29 shall waive the audit required pursuant to this subsection with 30 respect to all issues addressed by the federally required audit report. However, the authority may require an audit of matters that are not, 31 32 in the authority's judgment, addressed by the federally required 33 report including, but not limited to, measurement and verification of 34 treatment and prevention service intervention activities, and public 35 sector savings.

h. A loan guarantee agreement made pursuant to subsection b.
of this section shall provide that any loan guarantee shall be voided
if the terms and conditions of the agreement are violated by any
party to that agreement.

i. The authority shall solicit grants from interested public or
private sources for the establishment and administration of the pilot
program and study commission as well as the capitalization of the
"social innovation loan guarantee fund" established pursuant to
section 4 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature
as this bill).

j. The pilot program shall expire on the 30th day following the
closing of all loans guaranteed pursuant to P.L., c. (C.)
(pending before the Legislature as this bill).

a. The authority shall oversee a study commission, entitled
 the "New Jersey Social Innovation Study Commission," established
 for the duration of the pilot program.

4 b. The membership and size of the study commission shall be 5 determined by the authority. The authority may consider a variety of professionals, including health care, lending, and social finance 6 7 experts, for membership on the study commission. The study 8 commission shall organize as soon as practicable after the 9 appointment of the study commission members, shall select a 10 chairperson from among its membership, and shall appoint a 11 secretary who need not be a member of the study commission. At 12 least one member of the study commission shall be a representative 13 of the Department of Human Services, one member shall be a 14 representative of the Department of Health, and one member shall 15 be the Director of the Office of Faith Based Initiatives in the 16 Department of State. All members of the study commission shall 17 serve for a term concurrent with the effective period of the pilot 18 program.

c. Any vacancy in the membership of the study commission
shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment
was made.

22 d. The study commission may request the assistance and 23 services of employees of any other State department, board, bureau, 24 commission, task force, or agency as it may require and as may be 25 available. Members of the study commission shall serve without 26 compensation, but shall be entitled to employ clerical assistance and 27 incur traveling and other miscellaneous expenses as the study 28 commission may deem necessary in order to perform its duties, 29 within the limits of the funds made available to the study 30 commission for its purposes. The study commission may meet at 31 the call of its chairperson at the times and in the places the study 32 commission may deem appropriate and necessary to fulfill its 33 duties, and may conduct public hearings at a place or places as the 34 study commission shall designate. The study commission shall 35 conduct its meetings in accordance with the "Senator Byron M. 36 Baer Open Public Meetings Act," P.L.1975, c.231 (C.10:4-6 et 37 seq.).

e. It shall be the duty of the study commission to aid the
authority in the administration of the social innovation loan
guarantee pilot program and to issue annual reports detailing the
progress of the pilot program. Specifically, the study commission,
in cooperation with the authority and the Department of Human
Services shall:

(1) Identify the nonprofit organizations that are eligible to
receive loan guarantees from the authority. The study commission
shall make this determination taking several factors into
consideration which shall include, but not be limited to, the size and
identity of the target population that benefits from the organization,

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the projected financial value of the improvements to treatment and prevention services as a result of the pilot program, including projected public sector savings, the ability to repay the loan in full, the ease of the measurability of the outcomes, and an analysis of impacts beyond financial savings and returns, such as social outcomes;

7 (2) Assist the authority in soliciting donations from
8 philanthropic organizations and other private sources to capitalize
9 the social innovation loan guarantee fund;

(3) Negotiate contract terms and conditions between social
innovation loan guarantee recipients and any public entity for whom
the recipient is performing treatment and prevention services,
including the development of metrics to project and measure both
financial and social outcomes, and the identification of independent
third parties to measure and evaluate social outcomes;

16 (4) Determine whether an independent intermediary with 17 expertise in the areas of social finance and health care should be 18 retained to: (a) assist the study commission in the performance of 19 its duties under this section; (b) perform the measurement and 20 verification activities required in the agreements entered into pursuant to paragraph (3) of subsection b. of section 2 of 21 22) (pending before the Legislature as this P.L. , c. (C. 23 bill); and (c) to identify appropriate independent intermediaries to 24 recommend to the authority if the study commission determines that 25 intermediary services should be retained; and

26 (5) Any other purposes related to the pilot program for which27 the authority requests assistance.

28 (1) Not later than one year following the effective date of f. 29 , c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill), and P.L. 30 annually for four years thereafter, the study commission shall 31 submit to the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, 32 c.164 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature, a report containing a study 33 and evaluation of the pilot program. The report shall include, but 34 not be limited to, a description of any eligible organizations funded 35 by the social innovation loans, State, federal, and municipal 36 financial savings related to the issuance of social innovation loans, 37 including Medicaid savings, the expected loan performance and 38 projected payment schedule, the number of people serviced by the 39 eligible organization, a comparison of the population serviced by 40 the eligible organization and a similarly situated control group, and 41 any community impact related to the pilot program.

42 (2) The study commission shall submit its fifth and final report 43 to the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 44 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature, within 90 days of the expiration 45 date of the pilot program, including any recommendations for 46 legislative action it deems appropriate. The study commission's 47 final report shall include, but not be limited to, an analysis of the 48 feasibility of implementing a permanent social innovation loan

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2 treatment and prevention services in which social lending could be 3 successfully applied, the estimated costs for the creation and 4 administration of a permanent social innovation loan guarantee 5 program, the projected State, federal, and municipal savings from administering a permanent program, a calculation of the loan 6 7 performance realized from the pilot program, a calculation of the 8 State, federal, and municipal savings accrued through the pilot 9 program, and an analysis of non-financial outcomes, such as 10 community impact and preventive results. The study commission shall expire on the 30th day after the 11 g. date of the issuance of its final report, pursuant to paragraph (2) of 12 subsection f. of this section, or upon the expiration of the pilot 13 14 program, whichever occurs later. 15 16 4. a. To implement the social innovation loan guarantee pilot 17 program, the authority shall establish and maintain a special non-18 lapsing, revolving fund called the "social innovation loan guarantee 19 fund" which may be credited with: (1) monies appropriated by the State for the purpose of the fund; 20 (2) monies received by the authority from any public or private 21 22 donations to guarantee the loans issued pursuant to section 2 of 23 P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill); 24 (3) any monies as may be available to the authority from grants 25 or other forms of assistance established to support treatment and 26 prevention service intervention activities by the authority or by 27 other State agencies or authorities; and 28 (4) monies received from eligible organizations in the form of 29 any applicable fees. 30 b. Monies deposited in the fund may be used by the authority 31 for the following purposes: 32 (1) guaranteeing loans issued pursuant to subsection b. of 33 section 2 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature 34 as this bill); 35 (2) reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the authority 36 related to the administration of the pilot program and the study 37 commission; and 38 (3) administrative expenses for the provision of loan guarantees 39 issued pursuant to subsection b. of section 2 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this bill). 40 41 The amount of loans guaranteed by the authority pursuant to c. 42 subsection b. of section 2 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before 43 the Legislature as this bill) shall not exceed \$3,000,000 per year or 44 \$15,000,000 in the aggregate over five years, as determined by the 45 authority. 46 d. The authority shall not issue a loan guarantee in an amount

47 greater than the available and uncommitted monies in the fund.

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e. The authority may charge fees in connection with
 applications for participation in the social innovation loan guarantee
 pilot program as it deems reasonable to cover authority expenses in
 administering the pilot program and issuing loan guarantees.

f. The authority shall appoint a director, who is also an
employee of the Health Care Facilities Financing Authority, to
manage the activities associated with the "social innovation loan
guarantee fund" established pursuant to this section. The director
shall receive compensation as determined by the authority.

10 The authority shall issue a report six months after the g. 11 effective date of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature 12 as this bill), and annually thereafter not later than September 15, to the Governor and, pursuant to section 2 of P.L.1991, c.164 13 14 (C.52:14-19.1), to the Legislature concerning the financing of the 15 pilot program as described in section 2 of P.L. , c. (C.) 16 (pending before the Legislature as this bill), undertaken with 17 monies from the "social innovation loan guarantee fund." The 18 initial report and each annual report required pursuant to this 19 section shall include a description of the pilot program funded by 20 loans guaranteed to eligible organizations and a detailed analysis of 21 the consideration given to the factors set forth in subsection d. of 22 section 2 of P.L., c. (C.) (pending before the Legislature as this 23 bill).

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5. The authority shall adopt, pursuant to the "Administrative
Procedure Act," P.L.1968, c.410 (C.52:14B-1 et seq.), any rules or
regulations necessary to effectuate the purposes of P.L., c. (C.)
(pending before the Legislature as this bill).

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30 6. This act shall take effect on the first day of the fourth month
31 following the date of enactment, but the authority may take
32 anticipatory administrative action in advance thereof as shall be
33 necessary for the implementation of this act.