

**200.650 Legislative findings.**

The General Assembly hereby finds and declares that there is an urgent and substantial need:

- (1) To enhance the development of all infants and toddlers with disabilities in the Commonwealth of Kentucky in order to minimize developmental delay, and to maximize individual potential for adult independence;
- (2) To enhance the capacity of families to meet the needs of their infants and toddlers with disabilities;
- (3) To reduce the educational costs by minimizing the need for special education and related services after infants and toddlers with disabilities reach school age;
- (4) To reduce future social services costs and to minimize the likelihood of institutionalization of individuals with disabilities;
- (5) To prevent secondary impairments and disabilities by improving the health of infants and toddlers, thereby reducing health costs for the families and the state; and
- (6) To comply with federal law as it pertains to services for infants and toddlers with disabilities and their families.

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