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MEMORANDUM

To: Committee on Appropriations
From: Nobuko Folmsbee, Senior Assistant Revisor of Statutes
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Subject: 2012 HOUSE BILL NO. 2644

HB 2644 changes terminology in the statutes, by replacing “mental retardation” and similar terms with “intellectual disability” and similar terms.

New Section 1 defines “intellectual disability” which is the same definition in the rules and regulations currently adopted by the secretary of social and rehabilitation. The following is some examples of the term change:

mental retardation —> intellectual disability
mentally retarded —> intellectually disabled
community mental retardation center —> community center for the intellectually disabled
mental retardation programs —> programs for the intellectually disabled

The act would take effect upon publication in the statute book.