



House of Representatives

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House Bill No. 5927

House of Representatives, April 12, 2000

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. DYSON of the 94th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

An Act Concerning The Expenditures Of The Department Of Children And Families.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 (NEW) The Commissioner of Children and Families shall determine
2 the priority for funding the services and programs within the
3 Department of Children and Families and shall evaluate the present
4 costs and benefits of such services and programs in comparison to
5 potential costs and benefits of expanding the grant programs of the
6 department to provide grants to private nonprofit agencies which offer
7 similar services and programs. The commissioner shall submit
8 findings and recommendations to the joint standing committee of the
9 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to
10 appropriations and the budgets of state agencies not later than January
11 10, 2001, and annually thereafter.

APP Committee Vote: Yea 50 Nay 0 JF

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: Minimal Cost

Affected Agencies: Department of Children and Families

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

State Impact:

It is anticipated that the Department of Children and Families will incur a minimal cost in the course of reviewing its services and programs and submitting the required report by January 10, 2001. These costs can be absorbed within the agency's anticipated budgetary resources.

OFA Bill Analysis

HB 5927

**AN ACT CONCERNING THE EXPENDITURES OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.**

SUMMARY:

This bill requires the Department of Children and Families to review the programs and services it oversees to evaluate their cost effectiveness and benefits and assign priority to their continued funding. Findings and recommendations must be submitted to the Appropriations Committee by January 10, 2001 and annually thereafter.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2000

COMMITTEE ACTION

Appropriations Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 50 Nay 0