



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 177**

February Session, 2008

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**AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE  
PROGRAM REVIEW AND INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE  
CONCERNING THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.**

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

1 Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The Department of Children and  
2 Families shall hire an external consultant to determine the technology  
3 requirements necessary to integrate the information systems for all  
4 bureaus of the department, and to design a system that supports child  
5 welfare practices, data analysis and communication department-wide  
6 and is compatible with other state agency data systems. The external  
7 consultant's responsibilities shall be to: (1) Perform a gap analysis and  
8 workflow analysis with the focus on integrating the functions of the  
9 department with technology modeled to support the service model; (2)  
10 develop a project plan; and (3) develop a request for proposal to  
11 procure the team needed to integrate the data systems and replace the  
12 existing state-wide automated child welfare information system.

13 Sec. 2. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of one million five hundred  
14 thousand dollars is appropriated to the Department of Children and  
15 Families, from the General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30,  
16 2009, for Personal Services for an external consultant for purposes of  
17 section 1 of this act.

18 Sec. 3. (*Effective July 1, 2008*) The sum of two hundred thousand

19 dollars is appropriated to the Office of the Child Advocate, from the  
20 General Fund, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, for an upgraded  
21 data management system.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section
Sec. 3	<i>July 1, 2008</i>	New section

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*Favorable Subst. C/R*

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