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AMENDMENTS: Senate "A"
Senate "B"

TITLE: "AN ACT CONCERNING INCREASED SUPPORT CONTRIBUTIONS BY LEGALLY LIABLE RELATIVES"

FAVORABLY REPORTED BY Human Services

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon Passage

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT - BILL NUMBER HB 5844

STATE IMPACT	Minimal Cost, Can be Absorbed, see explanation below
MUNICIPAL IMPACT	None
STATE AGENCY(S)	Department of Administrative Services, Office of Policy and Management, DIM, DMR, DMH, CADAC, DCYS

EXPLANATION OF ESTIMATES:

STATE IMPACT: The passage of this bill as amended would result in minimal additional costs to the State that would be absorbed within existing resources. The bill as amended requires the Commissioner of Administrative Services, in consultation with various other agency heads, to develop a plan for reducing State expenditures by increasing the support obligations of legally liable relatives of persons receiving services from State humane institutions. Also, the bill as amended requires the Commissioner to study the feasibility of incorporating a cap on the extent of such obligations within such plan. The report is to be provided to the General Assembly on or before January 15, 1993. Minimal, absorbable costs would result from the preparation and presentation of the plan. It should be noted that the implementation of the plan could result in State savings or a revenue gain in future years.

Also, the bill as amended requires the Commissioner of Human Resources to develop a plan to compile the names of parents who fail to pay court-ordered child support and to publicize the names of those parents who have accrued the largest arrearages. The report is to be provided to the General Assembly on or before January 15, 1993. Minimal costs which can be absorbed within the agency's normal operating budget would result from the preparation and presentation of the plan.

Senate "A" requires the Commissioner of Human Resources to develop a plan to compile the names of parents who fail to pay court-ordered child support and to publicize the names of those parents who have accrued the largest arrearages. The report is to be provided to the General Assembly on or before January 15, 1993.

Senate "B" directs the Commissioner of Administrative Services to study the feasibility of incorporating a cap on the State expenditures for persons aided, cared for or treated in State humane institutions.

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