

**SENATE BILL REPORT**

**ESHB 1714**

**AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES,  
APRIL 4, 1991**

**Brief Description:** Providing support for families in timber communities.

**SPONSORS:** House Committee on Human Services (originally sponsored by Representatives Riley, Beck, Leonard, Winsley, Anderson, R. King, Hargrove, H. Myers, Jacobsen, Franklin, Roland, Zellinsky, Phillips, Jones, Rasmussen, Paris, Orr, Inslee, Basich, Sheldon, Morris and Wineberry).

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN & FAMILY SERVICES**

**Majority Report:** Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Roach, Chairman; L. Smith, Vice Chairman; Craswell, Stratton, and Talmadge.

**Staff:** Lidia Mori (786-7755)

**Hearing Dates:** April 3, 1991; April 4, 1991

**BACKGROUND:**

The Washington Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect currently funds family support centers in Spokane and Omak. They provide parent support services and other services identified through a local needs assessment. Family support centers help parents and families deal with the stress and problems associated with job loss, economic dislocation and other related situations.

**SUMMARY:**

The Washington Council for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect will contract for the operation of family support centers in additional communities around the state. The council will give priority to establishing family support centers in timber-dependent communities and communities with high timber unemployment rates.

**Appropriation:** none

**Revenue:** none

**Fiscal Note:** available

**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED SENATE AMENDMENT:**

Funds provided through this bill will not be expended for abortion services or referrals or contraceptive services or referrals. If funding is not provided in the Omnibus Appropriation Act, the bill is null and void.

**TESTIMONY FOR:**

This bill is fiscally responsible and provides help to those areas that need it most. It allows local agencies to apply for funds and dispense services that address the specific needs of communities.

**TESTIMONY AGAINST:** None

**TESTIFIED:** Representative Riley, original sponsor; Laurie Lippold, Children's Home Society, Children's Budget Coalition, Family Alliance, Family Resources Coalition; John Walsh, Washington State Association of Community Action Agencies; Steve Lansing, Director, Lutheran Public Police Office; Paul Youmans, Executive Director, Coastal Community Action Program