

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2070

As Reported By House Committee On:
Human Services

Title: An act relating to financial responsibility for juvenile offenders.

Brief Description: Modifying financial responsibility for juvenile offenders.

Sponsors: Representatives Patterson, Leonard, Brough, Shin and Karahalios.

Brief History:

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Human Services, March 18, 1993, DPS.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 9 members: Representatives Leonard, Chair; Riley, Vice Chair; Cooke, Ranking Minority Member; Talcott, Assistant Ranking Minority Member; Brown; Karahalios; Padden; Patterson; and Thibaudeau.

Staff: David Knutson (786-7146).

Background: Parents of juvenile offenders committed to the Department of Social and Health Services are not financially responsible for the care and treatment of their children.

Summary of Substitute Bill: Parents of juvenile offenders committed to the Department of Social and Health Services are financially responsible for their children and will pay for their child's care based on their ability to pay. Parents who receive, or are eligible to receive, adoption support payments are not required to contribute to the cost of housing and serving their adopted child.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill: Parents who receive, or are eligible to receive, adoption support payments, will not be required to contribute to the cost of caring for their incarcerated child.

Fiscal Note: Requested February 26, 1993.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: Ninety days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: This legislation is necessary to implement the budget. It is appropriate for parents to contribute to the cost of serving their child.

Testimony Against: None.

Witnesses: Jerry Wasson and Diana English, Department of Social and Health Services.