

SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5746

AS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES,
FEBRUARY 26, 1993

Brief Description: Revising family planning service provisions.

SPONSORS: Senators Winsley, Moyer, Prentice, Talmadge and Wojahn

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Majority Report: Do pass as amended.

Signed by Senators Talmadge, Chairman; Wojahn, Vice Chairman; Deccio, Erwin, Franklin, Fraser, Hargrove, McAuliffe, McDonald, Niemi, Quigley, Sheldon, L. Smith, and Winsley.

Staff: Joanne Conrad (786-7472)

Hearing Dates: February 25, 1993; February 26, 1993

BACKGROUND:

Information and counselling regarding family planning services and technologies may be included as part of the maternity care access program on an individual basis. However, all of the women in the program may not be consistently receiving the same level of information. There is concern that the women served by the program may have insufficient access to information regarding contraceptives such as Norplant.

SUMMARY:

Family planning services, including information about Norplant, are provided to women receiving medical assistance or eligible for emergency labor and delivery. Coverage for family planning services continues for six months following pregnancy.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED COMMITTEE AMENDMENT:

The tradename "Norplant" is replaced with generic term.

Appropriation: none

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested February 11, 1993

TESTIMONY FOR:

Family planning services should be made available to women through the maternity care access program and emergency labor and delivery program.

TESTIMONY AGAINST: None

TESTIFIED: Jim Peterson, DSHS; Marilyn Knight, Planned Parenthood; Diane Collins, Crisis Pregnancy Clinic