SENATE BILL REPORT

SB 5767

AS OF MARCH 2, 1993

Brief Description: Establishing emergency shelters for young people.

SPONSORS: Senators Talmadge, Winsley, Prentice, Snyder, Pelz, Moore and Moyer

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Staff: Richard Rodger (786-7461)

Hearing Dates: March 3, 1993

BACKGROUND:

There is a severe shortage in this state of shelter services for runaway and homeless youth. As a result of this shortage local governments, private businesses, and charities have requested assistance from the state in creating and maintaining shelter services.

SUMMARY:

The Department of Social and Health Services shall award matching grants to local governments to help support short-term runaway shelters. The shelters must be drug free, be for short-term stays, provide reconciliation counseling services, and meet all building and licensing codes.

Grants for the shelters shall be made on a competitive basis to local governments. The grants shall be matched through other public, private, or federal resources, and may include in-kind resources such as materials, supplies, facilities, and volunteer time.

Appropriation: \$3,000,000

Revenue: none

Fiscal Note: requested February 12, 1993

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