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Brief Title: Encouraging coordinated transportation services.

HB 2166 - DIGEST

(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Creates the agency council on coordinated transportation.

Requires the council to: (1) Develop standards and strategies for coordinating special needs transportation;

(2) identify, fund as resources are made available, and monitor coordinated transportation pilot projects;

(3) disseminate and encourage the widespread implementation of successful demonstration projects;

(4) identify and address barriers to transportation coordination;

(5) recommend to the legislature changes in law to assist coordination of transportation services;

(6) act as an information clearinghouse and advocate for coordinated transportation;

(7) petition the office of financial management to make whatever changes are deemed necessary to identify transportation costs in all executive agency budgets; and

(8) report to the legislature by December 1, 1998, on council activities including, but not limited to, what demonstration projects have been undertaken, how coordination affected service levels, and whether these efforts produced savings that allowed expansion of services. Reports must be made once every two years thereafter, and other times as the council deems necessary.