SENATE BILL REPORT
SB 5287

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As of January 22, 2001

Title: An act relating to study of kinship caregiver services.

Brief Description: Creating a work group to study kinship caregiver services.

Sponsors: Senators Fraser, Long, Franklin, Hargrove, Winsley, Costa, Thibaudeau, Prentice, Jacobsen, Carlson and Kohl-Welles.

Brief History:
Committee Activity: Human Services & Corrections: 2/2/01.

SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & CORRECTIONS

Staff: Edith Rice (786-7444)

Background: A national survey done in 1998 revealed that over 38,000 children in Washington State are being raised by their grandparents. A study will help determine the scope of needs of these relative care providers.

Summary of Bill: The Washington State Institute for Public Policy is directed to convene a work group to study the needs of relative care providers. Work group representatives must include a variety of entities that provide services to this population. A report must be provided to the Legislature by December, 2001.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 17, 2001.

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