

6055-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Human Services & Corrections
(originally sponsored by Senators Long, Hargrove and Stevens)

Brief Description: Evaluating children within the foster care agency caseload.

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(DIGEST AS ENACTED)

Finds that as a result of the passage of chapter 232, Laws of 2000, the department is conducting a pilot project to do a comparative analysis of a variety of assessment instruments to determine the most effective tools and methods for evaluation of children. The pilot project may extend through August 31, 2001.

Directs the department to report to the appropriate committees in the senate and house of representatives by September 30, 2001, on the results of the pilot project.

Requires the department to complete statewide implementation by December 31, 2001. The department shall report to the appropriate committees in the senate and house of representatives on how the use of the selected assessment instrument has affected department policies, by no later than December 31, 2002, December 31, 2004, and December 31, 2006.

Requires the use of the assessment tool developed pursuant to this act in making out-of-home placement decisions for children.