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Sponsor(s): Senators Hargrove, Schmidt, Poulsen, Esser, Stevens, Berkey and Eide

Brief Description: Ordering a study of reporting requirements for community action agencies.

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Recognizes the valuable role community action agencies play in delivering human services to low-income families and individuals of all ages in rural and urban areas of the state.

Recognizes that uncoordinated and duplicative electronic reporting requirements are placing extraordinary burdens on community action agencies. To alleviate these burdens, the legislature finds that state agencies must coordinate and standardize the data collection and reporting systems that are used in the administration and distribution of contracts with community action agencies.

Requires the joint legislative audit and review committee to study the feasibility of establishing common data collection, grant distribution, accountability requirements, and management standards for state agencies that work with community action agencies.

Requires the committee to submit a progress report to the appropriate policy committees of the legislature by September 1, 2004, and a final report to the same committees by September 1, 2005.