6019-S

Sponsor(s): Senate Committee on Health & Long-Term Care (originally sponsored by Senators Deccio, Wojahn, Winsley, Wood, Benton, Heavey, Franklin, Thibaudeau, Sheldon, Kohl, Hochstatter, Swanson, Schow, Prince, Roach, Oke, McAuliffe, Long, Bauer, Patterson and Rasmussen)

Brief Title: Stabilizing long-term care for persons with developmental disabilities living in the community and in residential habilitation centers.

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(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recognizes that essential residential habitation center and community residential support services should be available to each person with developmental disabilities in our state.

Recognizes that there have been substantially increasing demands for all of these services. Therefore, the legislature believes that any reductions in the capacity of these services could jeopardize a needed balance in the developmental disabilities system.

Declares an intent to stabilize the capacity of community residential support and residential habilitation center services.

Directs the department of social and health services to convene a working group for the purpose of developing a long range plan for the future of residential habilitation center and community support services.

Makes an appropriation of forty-nine thousand dollars for the biennium ending June 30, 1999, from the general fund to the department of social and health services for the purposes of this act.