(SUBSTITUTED FOR - SEE 1ST SUB)

Finds that the prevalence of civil legal problems experienced by low-income people in the state exceeds the capacity of the state-funded legal aid system to address.

Modifies civil legal aid provisions regarding: (1) Oversight duties of the civil legal aid oversight committee;

- (2) The duty of the director of civil legal aid services to periodically assess the most prevalent civil legal problems experienced by low-income people in the state and the capacity of the state-funded legal aid system to meet the legal needs arising from the problems;
- (3) The appropriation of public funds for civil representation of indigent persons; and
- (4) The distribution of funds to persons appointed in dependency proceedings.