

HOUSE BILL REPORT

HB 2871

As Reported by House Committee On:
Health Care

Title: An act relating to measuring the performance of the HIV/AIDS service delivery system.

Brief Description: Requiring measuring the performance of the HIV/AIDS service delivery system.

Sponsors: Representatives Darneille, Campbell, Cody, Miloscia, Moeller, Wallace, Schual-Berke, Skinner, Murray, Upthegrove and Santos.

Brief History:

Committee Activity:

Health Care: 2/3/04, 2/5/04 [DPS].

Brief Summary of Substitute Bill

- The Department of Health will establish performance indicators to assess the progress in conducting HIV-related activities.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH CARE

Majority Report: The substitute bill be substituted therefor and the substitute bill do pass. Signed by 13 members: Representatives Cody, Chair; Morrell, Vice Chair; Bailey, Ranking Minority Member; Alexander, Benson, Campbell, Clibborn, Darneille, Edwards, Moeller, Rodne, Schual-Berke and Skinner.

Staff: Dave Knutson (786-7146).

Background:

The Department of Health (Department) provides for regional service networks that address prevention and treatment issues related to HIV/AIDS. Services provided through regional AIDS service networks include testing, counseling, education, intervention strategies to reduce the incidence of HIV infection among high-risk groups, community outreach, case management, and coordinated, community-based services.

Summary of Substitute Bill:

The Department will use recommendations from the federal government and state and local planning bodies to determine best practices for the HIV-related activities provided through the regional AIDS service networks. The Department will establish performance indicators to assess progress and report its conclusions to the appropriate committees of the Senate and House of Representatives by December 31, 2004.

Substitute Bill Compared to Original Bill:

State and local planning bodies will also provide recommendations on best practices. The Department of Health is provided flexibility in setting boundaries of AIDS service delivery networks.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Available.

Effective Date of Substitute Bill: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of session in which bill is passed.

Testimony For: The state needs to establish performance indicators that all regional AIDS service delivery networks will be measured against.

Testimony Against: None.

Persons Testifying: Representative Darneille, prime sponsor.

Persons Signed In To Testify But Not Testifying: None.