

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

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| Action: | Do Pass and Be Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means by Prior Reference |
| Vote: | 9 - 0 - 0 |
| Yeas: | Gallegos, Gelser, Gilliam, Gomberg, Keny-Guyer, Olson, Whisnant, Whitsett, Tomei |
| Nays: | 0 |
| Exc.: | 0 |
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| Meeting Dates: | 3/27, 4/3 |

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Appropriates to the Department of Human Services (DHS) for biennium beginning July 1, 2013 from General Fund \$1,880,000 for enhancement and expansion of independent living center services to persons with disabilities. Declares emergency; effective July 1, 2013.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Opportunities for peer support services
- Employment skills training
- Information and referral services

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: Independent Living Centers (also Centers for Independent Living, or CILs) provide peer support, information and referral, individual and systems advocacy and independent living skills training to people with disabilities. House Bill 2971 appropriates monies from the General Fund for the next biennium, to improve and expand services provided by Independent Living Centers.

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