

SB 711 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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Meeting Dates: 3/6

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Establishes public policy that Department of Human Services employee whose employment is terminated for violating duty to report abuse is not eligible for reinstatement of employment with department. Declares emergency, effective on passage.

FISCAL: May Have Fiscal Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued

REVENUE: May Have Revenue Impact, But No Statement Yet Issued

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

No amendment.

BACKGROUND:

The Department of Human Services (DHS) can terminate the employment of a department employee that fails to report a suspected abuse when they are a mandatory reporter. Senate Bill 711 makes it the policy of the state that DHS employees whose employment was terminated for failure to report abuse under mandatory reporting laws are not eligible to be reinstated to employment at the department.