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Measure: HB 2684

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Measure Description:

Establishes minimum hourly wage rate of \$15 per hour for employees who provide direct care to residents of residential training facility or residential training home.

Government Unit(s) Affected:

Department of Human Services (DHS)

Analysis:

This fiscal impact statement is for the purpose of transmitting the measure from the House Committee on Human Services and Housing to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bill 2684 directs the Department of Human Services to adopt rules to establish the minimum hourly wage at \$15 per hour for every direct support employee in residential training facilities and residential training homes, including the state operated Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU). In addition, the bill requires these facilities to employ staff sufficient to meet the needs of the individuals residing in the settings. These facilities must submit annual financial statements and other specified information to the Department of Human Services (DHS) by October 31st of each year. The bill requires DHS to visit and inspect these facilities at least annually, including providing consultation and advice to management regarding methods of care, treatment, training, housing, records, and equipment. The bill modifies the licensing fee for residential treatment facilities and residential treatment homes, and authorizes DHS to impose civil penalties to be charged to facilities that have been substantiated for abuse.

This bill is anticipated to have a fiscal impact to the Department of Human Services. The amount of this impact is still being determined. A more complete fiscal analysis on the bill will be prepared as the measure is considered in the Joint Committee on Ways and Means.

Further Analysis Required

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