

SB 20 -3 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Eliminates distinction between developmentally disabled children and adults for purpose of eligibility and access to services by removing definition of "adult" and refining and reorganizing other definitions. Incorporates language for statutory section on use of support services brokerages and eliminates stand-alone section.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Self-determination language

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-3 Replaces measure. Eliminates distinction between developmentally disabled children and adults for purpose of eligibility and access to services by removing definition of "adult" and refining and reorganizing other definitions. Expands requirements of DHS regarding case management and specified services.

REVENUE: No revenue impact.

FISCAL: No revenue impact.

BACKGROUND:

According to the Department of Human Services (DHS), 28,174 adults and children were enrolled in case management services with the Office of Developmental Disability Services (ODDS) as of September 2018. ODDS provides services through Community Developmental Disabilities Providers and brokerages. Community Developmental Disabilities Providers are able to deliver services to any eligible child or adult in any service setting; brokerages are able to deliver some services to some eligible adults and are not able to deliver any services to children.

Senate Bill 20 consolidates eligibility for services to children and adults with developmental disabilities, and provides more uniform access by eliminating the definition of "adult" and referring instead to "individuals." It replaces the definition of "comprehensive services" applicable to adults with definitions of "developmental disabilities services" and "placement settings" applicable to individuals.