

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 7: Department of Human Services Topic: Homeless Youth

To:	Emergency Board Full Committee
From:	Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier:	Representative Fahey

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends that the Emergency Board increase Other Funds expenditure limitation for the Department of Human Services by \$9 million and establish one full-time limited duration Administrative Specialist 2 position to expand services for homeless youth.

During the 2022 session, the Legislature appropriated \$80 million General Fund to the Housing and Community Services Department to fund an array of housing programs and services, including runaway and homeless youth services administered by DHS. Of that money, \$9 million was transferred to DHS to increase services for homeless youth.

DHS will use the funds to supplement existing prevention, case management, and emergency shelter services, as well as create new housing opportunities and services for homeless college students, BIPOC and LGBTQ+ youth, and youth with undocumented immigration status.

This request will provide DHS the expenditure limitation needed to spend the funding, as well as the staff to support these activities.

The Subcommittee recommends approval.