

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2505

Relating to Governor's Child Foster Care Advisory Commission

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Human Services Subcommittee
Carrier: Representative Stark

HB 2505 expands the Governor's Child Foster Care Advisory Commission from 11 members to 13 members and establishes a Child Welfare Equity Advisory Committee within the Commission to advise on culturally appropriate child welfare services. It provides that the makeup of the new committee should reflect the cultural diversity of individuals served by the child welfare system and requires the Department of Human Services to provide the Commission clerical and administrative support, including one full-time equivalent policy analyst.

The amendment removes the General Fund appropriation from the bill because the funding and position needed to staff the Commission will be included in SB 5529, the primary budget bill for the Department of Human Services.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends HB 2505 be amended by the –A4 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.