

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Item 30: Department of Human Services Rate and Wage Study

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| To: | Emergency Board |
| From: | Human Services Subcommittee |
| Carrier: | Senator Campos |

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends that the Emergency Board approve an extension of the rate and wage study report due date, with instruction that the Department of Human Services report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means during the 2025 legislative session on the study.

The Department of Human Services was directed to conduct a comprehensive rate and wage study across home and community-based service delivery systems and report on the findings and recommendations by September 2024. However, the Department has requested an extended reporting deadline in order to give providers additional time to complete and return a survey designed to collect critical information regarding provider costs and service designs.

The Department states it is on track to complete the study by December 31, 2024. Since this will be past the deadline for submitting reports to the Emergency Board, the agency is instructed to provide this report to the Joint Committee on Ways and Means during the 2025 legislative session.

The Human Services Subcommittee recommends approval.