SB 759 -1 STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee On Human Services

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WHAT THE MEASURE DOES:

Directs the Department of Human Services to ensure adults who receive developmental disability services are provided the supports that they need to live in homes that they own or rent and with the support of roommates that they choose.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

EFFECT OF AMENDMENT:

-1 Replaces the measure.

Requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to investigate options for compensating the roommates if the adult chooses to provide caregiving to the adult in the home that the adult owns or rents. Requires DHS to report to the Legislative Assembly by December 1, 2023, on potential methods for compensating roommates who provide caregiving; the effect of rules regarding home and community-based services on the use of roommates to provide caregiving; federal funding that is available to compensate a roommate for providing caregiving; and descriptions of the roommate caregiver models currently implemented in other states.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

BACKGROUND:

<u>The Office of Developmental Disability Services</u> (ODDS) offers services to adults ranging from supports to assist an individual to live in their own home or with family or friends, to 24-hour comprehensive services. Services offered have specific eligibility standards and are offered through local <u>Community Developmental Disabilities Programs</u> (<u>CDDP</u>).

Senate Bill 759 directs the Department of Human Services to ensure adults who receive developmental disability services are provided the supports that they need to live in homes that they own or rent and with the support of roommates that they choose.