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To: Human Services Subcommittee

**From:** Gregory Jolivette, Legislative Fiscal Office

**Date:** June 6, 2023

**Subject:** SB 104 – Relating to agency with choice services

**Work Session Recommendations** 

SB 104 makes changes to "agency with choice services" available through DHS for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

- Changes the definition of "agency with choice services" so that one or more
  contracted vendors provide services to individuals employing their own Personal
  Support Workers. These services include training, coaching or other forms of
  support to the individual related to self-direction and the roles and responsibilities
  of the individual, the employer, and the agency with choice vendor.
- Removes current law requirements on DHS to certify agency with choice providers, and adopt rules related to minimum qualifications, and reimbursement rates.
   Instead, it directs the agency to contract with one or more organizations to deliver agency with choice services and specifies minimum requirements for a contracted organization.

DHS estimates a 2023-25 need for \$7,232,906 total funds. Of this amount, \$6,867,972 is for services and \$364,934 is to support two positions (1.50 FTE) to implement the provisions of the bill. This overall cost increases to \$14,218,302 in 2025-27.

The measure previously had hearings in the Senate Committee on Human Services on March 29th and April 3rd and was reported out due pass as amended.

#### **Recommended Changes**

The -A4 amendment adds funding to the bill. LFO recommends adoption of the -A4 amendment.

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# MOTION: I move adoption of the –A4 amendment to SB 104. (VOTE)

## **Final Subcommittee Action**

LFO recommends that SB 104, as amended by the –A4 amendment, be moved to the Ways and Means Full Committee.

MOTION: I move SB 104, as amended, to the Full Committee with a do pass recommendation. (VOTE)

<u>Carriers</u>	
Full Committee:	
House Floor:	
Senate Floor:	