

SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

HB 2555

Relating to sentencing

To: Ways and Means Full Committee
From: Public Safety Subcommittee
Carrier: Senator Campos

HB 2555 makes the Family Sentencing Alternative Program permanent by eliminating the sunset established 10 years ago when the pilot program was created.

In addition to removing the sunset date, the bill provides additional flexibility around eligibility, and requires the Department of Corrections and Department of Human Services to jointly submit a report on an annual basis.

Because the program was planned to sunset on July 1, 2025, funding for the program had been phased out of the 2025-27 biennium budget. The amendment puts the funding back into the budget at the current service level of \$2.6 million General Fund and 1 position.

The Public Safety Subcommittee recommends HB 2555 be amended by the –A6 amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.