CHAPTER 132–H.F.No. 702

An act relating to public safety; authorizing a pilot project to map state expenditures on children for various purposes; requiring a study on the collection and reporting of summary data relating to decisions that affect a child's status within the juvenile justice system; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 16A.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

Section 1. PILOT PROJECT TO STUDY AND REPORT ON MONEY USED TO SUPPORT CHILDREN.

Subdivision 1. Resource map. (a) After soliciting public input as required by paragraph (b), the commissioner shall use existing resources available to the department to design and oversee a pilot project to map all state expenditures, regardless of source, that serve the primary function of supporting the health, safety, stability, growth, development, and education of children in this state. For purposes of this section, "children" includes individuals under 21 years of age.

(b) The commissioner shall solicit public input regarding the resource mapping required by this section by providing public notice of the mapping project and subsequent revisions on the Department of Finance Web site. The commissioner shall provide an opportunity for members of the public to provide suggestions for the design and development of the project. In particular, the commissioner shall seek suggestions and comments from individuals who have conducted relevant research at higher education institutions and from individuals with relevant experience at nonprofit institutions and foundations.

(c) The resource mapping must include, but is not limited to:

(1) an inventory of all federal and state funding sources that support children in this state, including prenatal services for pregnant women, grouped in a manner that would assist the legislature in determining whether there are overlapping programs that lead to duplication within the state, gaps in service delivery, and any administrative inefficiencies generally; and

(2) a description of the manner in which the money is being used within the agencies or organizations, the performance measures in place to assess the use of the money, and the intended outcomes of the programs and services, to the extent this information is available.

Subd. 2. Updates. As part of the report required under subdivision 4, the commissioner shall provide a description of the experience gained from the pilot project, including any necessary draft legislation regarding possible updates and enhancements to the map of the money used to support children in the state, and an opinion regarding the potential for expanding resource mapping to other areas of the state budget.
Subd. 3. **Agency assistance.** Upon request, each state department or agency shall provide assistance to the commissioner for the purposes of this section.

Subd. 4. **Report.** By January 15, 2010, the commissioner shall report to the legislative committees and budget divisions with jurisdiction over children, family security, education, health, human services, housing, public safety, corrections, and the judiciary by providing an electronic version of the executive summary included in the report required by this subdivision. The report must be available online.

**EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2009.

Sec. 2. **JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEM DECISION POINTS; STUDY REQUIRED.**

Subdivision 1. **Study required.** (a) The criminal and juvenile justice information policy group, consistent with the duties described in Minnesota Statutes, section 299C.65, shall study the feasibility of collecting and reporting summary data relating to the decisions that affect a child's status within the juvenile justice system. The policy group shall consult with the Department of Corrections, the Office of Justice Programs, and other relevant criminal justice agencies, juvenile justice stakeholders, and interested community groups. The Office of Justice Programs shall provide administrative support to the study.

(b) At a minimum, the study must consider:

1. required data elements to be collected, such as age, gender, race, ethnicity, criminal charge, county of offense, and county of residence;
2. the decision points at which the data must be collected;
3. the criminal and juvenile justice agencies required to supply data;
4. who the repository entity for collected data should be;
5. the frequency of reporting;
6. the level of summary analysis;
7. a plan to implement the data collection, reporting, and analysis; and
8. the cost of implementing the plan.

Subd. 2. **Report required.** The commissioner of public safety shall submit the study described in subdivision 1 to the chairs and ranking minority members of the senate and house of representatives committees having jurisdiction over juvenile justice policy by February 15, 2010.

Presented to the governor May 18, 2009

Signed by the governor May 21, 2009, 4:04 p.m.