# **HOUSE BILL No. 5814**

#### EXECUTIVE BUDGET BILL

February 26, 2008, Introduced by Rep. Spade and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

A bill to make appropriations for the department of human services and certain state purposes related to public welfare services for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009 to provide for the expenditure of the appropriations; to create funds; to provide for the imposition of fees; to provide for reports; to provide for the disposition of fees and other income received by the state agency; and to provide for the powers and duties of certain individuals, local governments, and state departments, agencies, and officers.

## THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

PART 1
LINE-ITEM APPROPRIATIONS

Sec. 101. Subject to the conditions set forth in this bill,

1	the amounts listed in this part are appropriated for the department
2	of human services for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009,
3	from the funds indicated in this part. The following is a summary
4	of the appropriations in this part:
5	DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
6	APPROPRIATION SUMMARY:
7	Full-time equated classified positions 10,442.8
8	Full-time equated unclassified positions 6.0
9	Total full-time equated positions 10,436.8
10	GROSS APPROPRIATION\$ 4,658,689,400
11	Interdepartmental grant revenues:
12	Total interdepartmental grants and intradepartmental
13	transfers
14	ADJUSTED GROSS APPROPRIATION\$ 4,656,272,700
15	Federal revenues:
16	Total federal revenues
17	Special revenue funds:
18	Total private revenues
19	Total local revenues
20	Total other state restricted revenues
21	State general fund/general purpose\$ 1,376,552,200
22	Sec. 102. EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS
23	Total full-time equated positions 398.7
24	Full-time equated unclassified positions 6.0
25	Full-time equated classified positions 392.7
26	Unclassified salaries6.0 FTE positions\$ 617,900
27	Salaries and wages269.7 FTE positions

1	Contractual services, supplies, and materials		5,992,100
2	Demonstration projects9.0 FTE positions		8,963,000
3	Inspector general salaries and wages99.0 FTE		
4	positions		5,809,900
5	Electronic benefit transfer EBT		7,333,600
6	Michigan community service commission15.0 FTE		
7	positions		9,741,100
8	Internal audit services		674,700
9	State office of administrative hearings and rules		4,204,700
10	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	59,896,900
11	Appropriated from:		
12	Federal revenues:		
13	Total federal revenues		37,847,400
14	Special revenue funds:		
15	Total private revenues		3,199,600
16	Total local revenues		175,000
17	Total other state restricted revenues		25,000
18	State general fund/general purpose	\$	18,649,900
19	Sec. 103. CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT		
20	Full-time equated classified positions 213.7		
21	Child support enforcement operations207.7 FTE		
22	positions	\$	23,881,800
23	Legal support contracts		139,753,600
24	Child support incentive payments		32,409,600
25	State disbursement unit6.0 FTE positions	_	18,508,900
26	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	214,553,900
27	Appropriated from:		

1	Federal revenues:	
2	Total federal revenues	185,978,600
3	Special revenue funds:	
4	Total local revenues	340,000
5	Total other state restricted revenues	2,795,000
6	State general fund/general purpose\$	25,440,300
7	Sec. 104. COMMUNITY ACTION AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY	
8	Full-time equated classified positions 17.0	
9	Bureau of community action and economic opportunity	
10	operations17.0 FTE positions\$	1,929,900
11	Community services block grants	26,818,000
12	Weatherization assistance	18,418,700
13	GROSS APPROPRIATION\$	47,166,600
14	Appropriated from:	
15	Federal revenues:	
16	Total federal revenues	47,166,600
17	Special revenue funds:	
18	State general fund/general purpose\$	0
19	Sec. 105. ADULT AND FAMILY SERVICES	
20	Full-time equated classified positions 41.7	
21	Executive direction and support5.0 FTE positions \$	434,200
22	Employment and training support services	38,254,100
23	Guardian contract	600,000
24	Adult services policy and administration6.0 FTE	
25	positions	627,100
26	Income support policy and administration29.7 FTE	
27	positions	4,823,600

1	Wage employment verification reporting	848,700
2	Urban and rural empowerment/enterprise zones	100
3	Nutrition education	28,000,000
4	Crisis prevention and elder law of Michigan food for	
5	the elderly project	170,000
6	Marriage initiative0.5 FTE position	2,475,000
7	Fatherhood initiative0.5 FTE position	 1,725,000
8	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$ 77,957,800
9	Appropriated from:	
10	Federal revenues:	
11	Total federal revenues	53,472,700
12	State general fund/general purpose	\$ 24,485,100
13	Sec. 106. CHILDREN'S SERVICES	
14	Full-time equated classified positions 142.3	
15	Salaries and wages41.2 FTE positions	\$ 2,762,200
16	Contractual services, supplies, and materials	936,300
17	Foster care payments	210,391,100
18	Adoption subsidies	242,298,900
19	Adoption support services7.2 FTE positions	17,797,600
20	Youth in transition2.0 FTE positions	13,266,800
21	Interstate compact	231,600
22	Children's benefit fund donations	21,000
23	Teenage parent counseling2.3 FTE positions	3,816,800
24	Families first	16,946,700
25	Strong families/safe children—3.0 FTE positions	12,902,100
26	Child protection and permanency-37.5 FTE positions	21,802,800
27	Zero to three	3,843,800

1	Family group decision making	2,454,700
2	Family reunification program	3,977,100
3	Family preservation and prevention services	
4	administration14.5 FTE positions	2,156,800
5	Black child and family institute	100,000
6	Children's trust fund administration10.0 FTE	
7	positions	1,032,100
8	Children's trust fund grants	3,825,100
9	ECIC, early childhood investment corporation	14,823,000
10	Attorney general contract	3,349,700
11	Prosecuting attorney contracts	1,061,700
12	Child protection5.0 FTE positions	803,200
13	Subsidized guardianship program	4,575,000
14	Domestic violence prevention and treatment14.6 FTE	
15	positions	14,773,700
16	Rape prevention and services	2,600,000
17	Michigan youth opportunity initiative	1,225,000
18	Title IV-E compliance and accountability office5.0	
19	FTE positions	392,700
20	GROSS APPROPRIATION\$	604,167,500
21	Appropriated from:	
22	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
23	IDG from DCH - crime victims fund	1,300,000
24	Federal revenues:	
25	Total federal revenues	361,715,100
26	Special revenue funds:	
27	Private - children's benefit fund donations	21,000

1	Private - collections	3,225,000
2	Local funds - county chargeback	34,622,900
3	Compulsive gaming prevention fund	1,040,000
4	Children's trust fund	3,805,400
5	State general fund/general purpose\$	198,438,100
6	Sec. 107. JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES	
7	Full-time equated classified positions 494.5	
8	High security juvenile services, male137.0 FTE	
9	positions \$	17,005,100
10	Medium security juvenile services 254.0 FTE	
11	positions	24,001,000
12	Community juvenile justice centers37.0 FTE positions	3,475,100
13	Child care fund	226,835,600
14	Child care fund administration5.8 FTE positions	775,400
15	County juvenile officers	3,890,500
16	Community support services2.0 FTE positions	1,495,500
17	Juvenile justice field staff, administration and	
18	maintenance40.0 FTE positions	5,446,400
19	Federally funded activities13.7 FTE positions	1,866,200
20	W. J. Maxey memorial fund	45,000
21	Juvenile accountability incentive block grant1.0 FTE	
22	position	1,297,900
23	Committee on juvenile justice administration4.0 FTE	
24	positions	511,800
25	Committee on juvenile justice grants	5,000,000
26	GROSS APPROPRIATION\$	291,645,500
27	Appropriated from:	

1	Federal revenues:	
2	Total federal revenues	95,804,000
3	Special revenue funds:	
4	Total private revenues	45,000
5	Local funds - state share education funds	2,828,500
6	Local funds - county chargeback	21,509,200
7	State general fund/general purpose\$	171,458,800
8	Sec. 108. LOCAL OFFICE STAFF AND OPERATIONS	
9	Full-time equated classified positions 8,337.5	
10	Field staff, salaries and wages8,054.7 FTE positions \$	420,509,100
11	Contractual services, supplies, and materials	17,215,600
12	Medical/psychiatric evaluations	6,300,000
13	Donated funds positions131.0 FTE positions	10,801,900
14	Training and program support63.0 FTE positions	9,411,700
15	Food stamp reinvestment78.8 FTE positions	8,663,800
16	Wayne County gifts and bequests	100,000
17	Volunteer services and reimbursement	1,294,900
18	SSI advocates10.0 FTE positions	2,166,100
19	GROSS APPROPRIATION\$	476,463,100
20	Appropriated from:	
21	Federal revenues:	
22	Total federal revenues	264,459,600
23	Special revenue funds:	
24	Local funds - donated funds	1,817,900
25	Private funds - donated funds	654,400
26	Private funds - Wayne County gifts	100,000
27	Private funds - hospital contributions	2,929,700

1	Supplemental security income recoveries	677,600
2	State general fund/general purpose	\$ 205,823,900
3	Sec. 109. DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES	
4	Full-time equated classified positions 569.4	
5	Disability determination operations545.9 FTE	
6	positions	\$ 83,045,500
7	Medical consultation program19.4 FTE positions	2,672,200
8	Retirement disability determination4.1 FTE positions	 826,800
9	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$ 86,544,500
10	Appropriated from:	
11	Interdepartmental grant revenues:	
12	IDG from DMB - office of retirement systems	1,116,700
13	Federal revenues:	
14	Total federal revenues	82,601,100
15	State general fund/general purpose	\$ 2,826,700
16	Sec. 110. CENTRAL SUPPORT ACCOUNTS	
17	Rent	\$ 42,830,900
18	Occupancy charge	8,744,200
19	Travel	5,708,700
20	Equipment	277,300
21	Worker's compensation	3,993,000
22	Advisory commissions	17,900
23	Payroll taxes and fringe benefits	 262,679,900
24	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$ 324,251,900
25	Appropriated from:	
26	Federal revenues:	
27	Total federal revenues	187,907,400

1	State general fund/general purpose	\$	136,344,500
2	Sec. 111. BUREAU OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING		
3	Full-time equated classified positions 221.0		
4	AFC, children's welfare and day care licensure221.0		
5	FTE positions	\$_	23,677,000
6	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	23,677,000
7	Appropriated from:		
8	Federal revenues:		
9	Total federal revenues		11,974,300
10	Special revenue funds:		
11	Licensing fees		627,300
12	Health systems fees and collections		355,200
13	State general fund/general purpose	\$	10,720,200
14	Sec. 112. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE		
15	Full-time equated classified positions 7.0		
16	Family independence program	\$	396,367,500
17	State disability assistance payments		39,080,600
18	Food assistance program benefits		1,221,340,900
19	State supplementation		60,197,000
20	State supplementation administration		2,477,100
21	Low-income home energy assistance program		116,451,600
22	Food bank funding		675,000
23	Homeless programs		11,646,700
24	Multicultural assimilation funding		1,715,500
25	Indigent burial		4,550,000
26	Emergency services local office allocations		21,865,500
27	Day care services		410,723,400

1	Refugee assistance program7.0 FTE positions	_	12,703,700
2	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	2,299,794,500
3	Appropriated from:		
4	Federal revenues:		
5	Total federal revenues		1,719,016,200
6	Special revenue funds:		
7	Child support collections		34,327,100
8	Supplemental security income recoveries		14,156,600
9	Public assistance recoupment revenue		3,610,000
10	State general fund/general purpose	\$	528,684,600
11	Sec. 113. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		
12	Information technology services and projects	\$	102,272,500
13	Child support automation	-	50,297,700
14	GROSS APPROPRIATION	\$	152,570,200
15	Appropriated from:		
16	Federal revenues:		
17	Total federal revenues		98,890,100
18	State general fund/general purpose	\$	53,680,100

19 PART 2

20 PROVISIONS CONCERNING APPROPRIATIONS

## 21 GENERAL SECTIONS

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Sec. 201. Pursuant to section 30 of article IX of the state constitution of 1963, total state spending from state resources under part 1 for fiscal year 2008-2009 is \$1,437,971,400.00 and state spending from state resources to be paid to local units of

- 1 government for fiscal year 2008-2009 is \$145,704,400.00. The
- 2 itemized statement below identifies appropriations from which
- 3 spending to local units of government will occur:
- 4 DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
- 5 PERMANENCY FOR CHILDREN
- 6 Child care fund.....\$ 140,265,700
- 8 State disability program..... \$ 1,793,200
- 9 TOTAL.....\$ 145,704,400
- 10 Sec. 202. The appropriations authorized under this bill are
- 11 subject to the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1101
- **12** to 18.1594.
- Sec. 203. As used in this bill:
- 14 (a) "AFC" means adult foster care.
- 15 (b) "DCH" means the department of community health.
- 16 (c) "Department" means the department of human services.
- 17 (d) "DMB" means the department of management and budget.
- (e) "ECIC" means early childhood investment corporation.
- (f) "FTE" means full-time equated.
- 20 (g) "IDG" means interdepartmental grant.
- 21 (h) "JET" means jobs, education and training program.
- (i) "RSDI" means retirement survivors disability insurance.
- (j) "SSI" means supplemental security income.
- 24 (k) "Temporary assistance for needy families" or "TANF" or
- 25 "title IV-A" means part A of title IV of the social security act,
- 26 42 USC 601 to 604, 605 to 608, and 609 to 619.
- 27 (1) "Title IV-D" means part D of title IV of the social

- 1 security act, 42 USC 651 to 655 and 656 to 669b.
- 2 (m) "Title IV-E" means part E of title IV of the social
- 3 security act, 42 USC 670 to 673, 673b to 679, and 679b.
- 4 (n) "VA" means veterans affairs.
- 5 Sec. 204. The civil service commission shall bill the
- 6 department at the end of the first fiscal quarter for the 1% charge
- 7 authorized by section 5 of article XI of the state constitution of
- 8 1963. Payments shall be made for the total amount of the billing by
- 9 the end of the second fiscal quarter.
- 10 Sec. 205. (1) A hiring freeze is imposed on the state
- 11 classified civil service. State departments and agencies are
- 12 prohibited from hiring any new full-time state classified civil
- 13 service employees and prohibited from filling any vacant state
- 14 classified civil service positions. This hiring freeze does not
- 15 apply to internal transfers of classified employees from 1 position
- 16 to another within a department.
- 17 (2) The state budget director may grant exceptions to this
- 18 hiring freeze when the state budget director believes that the
- 19 hiring freeze will result in rendering a state department or agency
- 20 unable to deliver basic services, cause loss of revenue to the
- 21 state, result in the inability of the state to receive federal
- 22 funds, or necessitate additional expenditures that exceed any
- 23 savings from maintaining a vacancy. The state budget director shall
- 24 report quarterly to the chairpersons of the senate and house of
- 25 representatives appropriations committees and the senate and house
- 26 fiscal agencies and policy offices on the number of exceptions to
- 27 the hiring freeze approved during the previous quarter and the

- 1 reasons to justify the exception.
- 2 Sec. 208. Unless otherwise specified, the department shall use
- 3 the Internet to fulfill the reporting requirements of this bill.
- 4 This shall include transmission of reports via electronic mail,
- 5 including a link to the Internet site, to the recipients identified
- 6 for each reporting requirement, or it may include placement of
- 7 reports on the Internet or Intranet site. On an annual basis, the
- 8 department shall provide a cumulative listing of the reports to the
- 9 house and senate appropriations subcommittees and the house and
- 10 senate fiscal agencies and policy offices.
- 11 Sec. 209. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used for
- 12 the purchase of foreign goods or services, or both, if
- 13 competitively priced and of comparable quality American goods or
- 14 services, or both, are available. Preference should be given to
- 15 goods or services, or both, manufactured or provided by Michigan
- 16 businesses, if they are competitively priced and of comparable
- 17 quality. In addition, preference should be given to goods or
- 18 services, or both, that are manufactured or provided by Michigan
- 19 businesses owned and operated by veterans, if they are
- 20 competitively priced and of comparable quality.
- 21 Sec. 210. The director shall take all reasonable steps to
- 22 ensure businesses in deprived and depressed communities compete for
- 23 and perform contracts to provide services or supplies, or both. The
- 24 director shall strongly encourage firms with which the department
- 25 contracts to subcontract with certified businesses in depressed and
- 26 deprived communities for services, supplies, or both.
- 27 Sec. 211. Funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used by a

- 1 principal executive department, state agency, or authority to hire
- 2 a person to provide legal services that are the responsibility of
- 3 the attorney general. This prohibition does not apply to legal
- 4 services for bonding activities and for those activities that the
- 5 attorney general authorizes.
- 6 Sec. 212. (1) In addition to funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 7 all programs and services, there is appropriated for write-offs of
- 8 accounts receivable, deferrals, and for prior year obligations in
- 9 excess of applicable prior year appropriations, an amount equal to
- 10 total write-offs and prior year obligations, but not to exceed
- 11 amounts available in prior year revenues or current year revenues
- 12 that are in excess of the authorized amount.
- 13 (2) The department's ability to satisfy appropriation fund
- 14 sources in part 1 shall not be limited to collections and accruals
- 15 pertaining to services provided in the current fiscal year, but
- 16 shall also include reimbursements, refunds, adjustments, and
- 17 settlements from prior years.
- 18 Sec. 213. (1) The department may retain all of the state's
- 19 share of food assistance overissuance collections as an offset to
- 20 general fund/general purpose costs. Retained collections shall be
- 21 applied against federal funds deductions in all appropriation units
- 22 where department costs related to the investigation and recoupment
- 23 of food assistance overissuances are incurred. Retained collections
- 24 in excess of such costs shall be applied against the federal funds
- 25 deducted in the executive operations appropriation unit.
- 26 (2) The department shall report to the legislature during the
- 27 senate and house budget hearings on the status of the food stamp

- 1 error rate. The report shall include at least all of the following:
- 2 (a) An update on federal sanctions and federal requirements
- 3 for reinvestment due to the food stamp error rate.
- 4 (b) Review of the status of training for employees who
- 5 administer the food assistance program.
- 6 (c) An outline of the past year's monthly status of worker to
- 7 food stamp cases and monthly status of worker to food stamp
- 8 applications.
- 9 (d) Corrective action through policy, rules, and programming
- 10 being taken to reduce the food stamp error rate.
- 11 (e) Any other information regarding the food stamp error rate,
- 12 including information pertaining to technology and computer
- 13 applications used for the food assistance program.
- 14 Sec. 214. (1) The department shall submit a report to the
- 15 chairpersons of the senate and house appropriations subcommittees
- 16 on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and
- 17 policy offices, and the state budget director on the details of
- 18 allocations within program budgeting line items and within the
- 19 salaries and wages line items in all appropriation units. The
- 20 report shall include a listing, by account, dollar amount, and fund
- 21 source, of salaries and wages; longevity and insurance; retirement;
- 22 contractual services, supplies, and materials; equipment; travel;
- 23 and grants within each program line item appropriated for the
- 24 fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. With regard to federal
- 25 appropriations, for each program line item funded by no more than 3
- 26 federal funding sources, the department shall provide estimates of
- 27 the allocation of the appropriation for each specific federal

- 1 funding source.
- 2 (2) On a bimonthly basis, the department shall report on the
- 3 number of FTEs in pay status by type of staff.
- 4 Sec. 215. If a legislative objective of this bill or the
- 5 social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b, cannot be
- 6 implemented without loss of federal financial participation because
- 7 implementation would conflict with or violate federal regulations,
- 8 the department shall notify the state budget director, the house
- 9 and senate appropriations committees, and the house and senate
- 10 fiscal agencies and policy offices of that fact.
- 11 Sec. 217. (1) Due to the current budgetary problems in this
- 12 state, out-of-state travel shall be limited to situations in which
- 13 1 or more of the following conditions apply:
- 14 (a) The travel is required by legal mandate or court order or
- 15 for law enforcement purposes.
- 16 (b) The travel is necessary to protect the health or safety of
- 17 Michigan citizens or visitors or to assist other states in similar
- 18 circumstances.
- 19 (c) The travel is necessary to produce budgetary savings or to
- 20 increase state revenues, including protecting existing federal
- 21 funds or securing additional federal funds.
- (d) The travel is necessary to comply with federal
- 23 requirements.
- 24 (e) The travel is necessary to secure specialized training for
- 25 staff that is not available within this state.
- (f) The travel is financed entirely by federal or nonstate
- 27 funds.

- 1 (2) If out-of-state travel is necessary but does not meet 1 or
- 2 more of the conditions in subsection (1), the state budget director
- 3 may grant an exception to allow the travel. Any exceptions granted
- 4 by the state budget director shall be reported on a monthly basis
- 5 to the senate and house standing committees on appropriations.
- 6 (3) Not later than January 1 of each year, each department
- 7 shall prepare a travel report listing all travel by classified and
- 8 unclassified employees outside this state in the immediately
- 9 preceding fiscal year that was funded in whole or in part with
- 10 funds appropriated in the department's budget. The report shall be
- 11 submitted to the chairs and members of the house and senate
- 12 appropriations committees, the fiscal agencies, and the state
- 13 budget director. The report shall include the following
- 14 information:
- 15 (a) The name of each person receiving reimbursement for travel
- 16 outside this state or whose travel costs were paid by this state.
- 17 (b) The destination of each travel occurrence.
- 18 (c) The dates of each travel occurrence.
- 19 (d) A brief statement of the reason for each travel
- 20 occurrence.
- 21 (e) The transportation and related costs of each travel
- 22 occurrence, including the proportion funded with state general
- 23 fund/general purpose revenues, the proportion funded with state
- 24 restricted revenues, the proportion funded with federal revenues,
- 25 and the proportion funded with other revenues.
- 26 (f) A total of all out-of-state travel funded for the
- 27 immediately preceding fiscal year.

- 1 Sec. 218. The department shall prepare an annual report on the
- 2 TANF federal block grant. The report shall include projected
- 3 expenditures for the current fiscal year, an accounting of any
- 4 previous year funds carried forward, and a summary of all
- 5 interdepartmental or interagency agreements relating to the use of
- 6 TANF funds. The report shall be forwarded to the state budget
- 7 director and the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on
- 8 the department budget and the house and senate fiscal agencies and
- 9 policy offices within 10 days after presentation of the executive
- 10 budget.
- 11 Sec. 221. If the revenue collected by the department from
- 12 private and local sources exceeds the amount spent from amounts
- 13 appropriated in part 1, the revenue may be carried forward, with
- 14 approval from the state budget director, into the subsequent fiscal
- **15** year.
- 16 Sec. 223. The department shall make a determination of
- 17 Medicaid eligibility not later than 60 days after all information
- 18 to make the determination is received from the applicant when
- 19 disability is an eligibility factor. For all other Medicaid
- 20 applicants, the department shall make a determination of Medicaid
- 21 eligibility not later than 45 days after all information to make
- 22 the determination is received from the applicant.
- 23 Sec. 224. The department shall approve or deny a Medicaid
- 24 application for a patient of a nursing home not later than 60 days
- 25 after all required information is received from the applicant when
- 26 disability is a factor. For all other Medicaid applicants, the
- 27 department shall make a determination within 45 days after the

- 1 receipt of the necessary information.
- 2 Sec. 227. The department, with the approval of the state
- 3 budget director, is authorized to realign sources of financing
- 4 authorizations in order to maximize temporary assistance for needy
- 5 families' maintenance of effort countable expenditures. This
- 6 realignment of financing shall not be made until 15 days after
- 7 notifying the chairs of the house and senate appropriations
- 8 subcommittees on the department budget and house and senate fiscal
- 9 agencies, and shall not produce an increase or decrease in any
- 10 line-item expenditure authorization.
- 11 Sec. 259. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 12 information technology, the department shall pay user fees to the
- 13 department of information technology for technology-related
- 14 services and projects. Such user fees shall be subject to
- 15 provisions of an interagency agreement between the department and
- 16 the department of information technology.
- Sec. 262. The department, in conjunction with county
- 18 department of human services boards of directors and the department
- 19 of management and budget, shall implement a plan to assist local
- 20 services delivery effectiveness and efficiency by maximizing use of
- 21 state resources while responding to unique needs in geographic
- 22 regions of the state. The department shall work with the department
- 23 of management and budget to reduce unnecessary layers of
- 24 management, such as zone offices or regional offices that may have
- 25 assumed their functions before eliminating county offices,
- 26 particularly when those county office closures would subject
- 27 clients and residents to lengthy travel in order to meet or consult

- 1 with their caseworker. Savings resulting from the plan shall be
- 2 allocated to county offices to fund additional frontline workers.
- 3 Sec. 273. Not later than July 1, 2009, the department shall
- 4 report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the
- 5 department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy
- 6 offices, and the state budget director with copies of the annual
- 7 regulatory plan submitted to the state office of administrative
- 8 hearings and rules pursuant to section 53 of the administrative
- 9 procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.253.
- 10 Sec. 279. All contracts relating to human services entered
- 11 into or renewed by the department on or after October 1, 2008 shall
- 12 be performance-based contracts that employ a client-centered
- 13 results-oriented process that is based on measurable performance
- 14 indicators and desired outcomes and includes the annual assessment
- 15 of the quality of services provided.
- Sec. 280. The department shall submit a report to the house
- 17 and senate appropriations subcommittees for the department budget,
- 18 the house and senate fiscal agencies, the house and senate policy
- 19 offices, and the state budget director by February 1, 2009 on the
- 20 status of the department's information technology improvement
- 21 initiative "Bridges" integration project. The report shall include
- 22 details on the following:
- 23 (a) The amounts expended up to the previous fiscal year and
- 24 the first quarter of the current fiscal year.
- 25 (b) The amounts of appropriations carried forward, as work
- 26 projects, from previous fiscal years for information technology
- 27 projects.

- 1 (c) A listing of the projects and activities undertaken during
- 2 the previous fiscal year and during the first quarter of the
- 3 current fiscal year.
- 4 Sec. 283. Amounts appropriated in part 1 for information
- 5 technology may be designated as work projects and carried forward
- 6 to support technology projects under the direction of the
- 7 department of information technology. Funds designated in this
- 8 manner are not available for expenditure until approved as work
- 9 projects under section 451a of the management and budget act, 1984
- **10** PA 431, MCL 18.1451a.
- 11 Sec. 284. (1) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1,
- 12 there is appropriated an amount not to exceed \$200,000,000.00 for
- 13 federal contingency funds. These funds are not available for
- 14 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item
- in this bill under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,
- 16 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.
- 17 (2) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 18 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00 for state
- 19 restricted contingency funds. These funds are not available for
- 20 expenditure until they have been transferred to another line item
- 21 in this bill under section 393(2) of the management and budget act,
- 22 1984 PA 431, MCL 18.1393.
- 23 (3) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 24 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.00 for local
- 25 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure
- 26 until they have been transferred to another line item in this bill
- 27 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,

- **1** MCL 18.1393.
- 2 (4) In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1, there is
- 3 appropriated an amount not to exceed \$20,000,000.00 for private
- 4 contingency funds. These funds are not available for expenditure
- 5 until they have been transferred to another line item in this bill
- 6 under section 393(2) of the management and budget act, 1984 PA 431,
- **7** MCL 18.1393.

### 8 EXECUTIVE OPERATIONS

- 9 Sec. 307. (1) Of the money appropriated in part 1 for
- 10 demonstration projects, \$100,000.00 shall be distributed as
- 11 provided in subsection (2). The amount distributed under this
- 12 subsection shall not exceed 50% of the total operating expenses of
- 13 the program described in subsection (2), with the remaining 50%
- 14 paid by local United Way organizations and other nonprofit
- 15 organizations and foundations.
- 16 (2) Money distributed under subsection (1) shall be
- 17 distributed to Michigan 2-1-1, a nonprofit corporation organized
- 18 under the laws of this state that is exempt from federal income tax
- 19 under section 501(c)(3) of the internal revenue code, 26 USC
- 20 501(c)(3), and whose mission is to coordinate and support a
- 21 statewide 2-1-1 system. Michigan 2-1-1 shall use the money only to
- fulfill the Michigan 2-1-1 business plan adopted by Michigan 2-1-1
- 23 in January 2005.
- 24 (3) Michigan 2-1-1 shall report annually to the department and
- 25 the house and senate standing committees with primary jurisdiction
- 26 over matters relating to human services and telecommunications on

- 1 2-1-1 system performance, including, but not limited to, call
- 2 volume by community health and human service needs and unmet needs
- 3 identified through caller data and customer satisfaction metrics.
- 4 Sec. 308. From the money appropriated in part 1 for
- 5 demonstration projects, \$200,000.00 shall be expended on a contract
- 6 with the University of Detroit Mercy to provide legal services for
- 7 disabled veterans who are seeking eligibility under federal
- 8 disability programs, including federal supplemental security
- 9 income. The contract shall fund a statewide effort by the
- 10 university through use of its mobile office to deliver these legal
- 11 services.

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## ADULT AND FAMILY SERVICES

- Sec. 415. (1) In expending money appropriated in part 1 for
- 14 the fatherhood initiative, the department may contract with
- 15 independent contractors from various counties, including, but not
- 16 limited to, faith-based and nonprofit organizations. Preference
- 17 shall be given to independent contractors that provide at least 10%
- 18 in matching funds, through any combination of local, state, or
- 19 federal funds or in-kind or other donations. However, an
- 20 independent contractor that cannot secure matching funds shall not
- 21 be excluded from consideration for the fatherhood program.
- 22 (2) The department may choose providers that will work with
- 23 counties to help eligible fathers under TANF guidelines to acquire
- 24 skills that will enable them to increase their responsible behavior
- 25 toward their children and the mothers of their children. An
- 26 increase of financial support for their children should be a very

- 1 high priority as well as emotional support.
- 2 (3) A fatherhood initiative program established under this
- 3 section shall minimally include at least 3 of the following
- 4 components: promoting responsible, caring, and effective parenting
- 5 through counseling; mentoring and parental education; enhancing the
- 6 abilities and commitment of unemployed or low-income fathers to
- 7 provide material support for their families and to avoid or leave
- 8 welfare programs by assisting them to take advantage of job search
- 9 programs, job training, and education to improve their work habits
- 10 and work skills; improving fathers' ability to effectively manage
- 11 family business affairs by means such as education, counseling, and
- 12 mentoring in household matters; infant care; effective
- 13 communication and respect; anger management; children's financial
- 14 support; and drug-free lifestyle.
- 15 (4) The department is authorized to make allocations of TANF
- 16 funds, of not more than 20% per county, under this section only to
- 17 agencies that report necessary data to the department for the
- 18 purpose of meeting TANF eligibility reporting requirements.
- 19 Sec. 416. (1) In expending money appropriated in part 1 for
- 20 the marriage initiative, the department may contract with
- 21 independent contractors from various counties, including, but not
- 22 limited to, faith-based and nonprofit organizations. Preference
- 23 shall be given to independent contractors that provide at least 10%
- 24 in matching funds, through any combination of local, state, or
- 25 federal funds or in-kind or other donations. However, an
- 26 independent contractor that cannot secure matching funds shall not
- 27 be excluded from consideration for a marriage initiative program.

- 1 (2) The department may choose providers to work with counties
- 2 that will work to support and strengthen marriages of those
- 3 eligible under the TANF quidelines. The areas of work may include,
- 4 but are not limited to, marital counseling, domestic violence
- 5 counseling, family counseling, effective communication, and anger
- 6 management as well as parenting skills to improve the family
- 7 structure.
- 8 (3) A marriage initiative program established under this
- 9 section may include, but is not limited to, 1 or more of the
- 10 following: public advertising campaigns on the value of marriage
- 11 and the skills needed to increase marital stability and health;
- 12 education in high schools on the value of marriage, relationship
- 13 skills, and budgeting; premarital, marital, family, and domestic
- 14 violence counseling; effective communication; marriage mentoring
- 15 programs which use married couples as role models and mentors in
- 16 at-risk communities; anger management; and parenting skills to
- 17 improve the family structure.
- 18 (4) The department is authorized to make allocations of TANF
- 19 funds, of not more than 20% per county, under this section only to
- 20 agencies that report necessary data to the department for the
- 21 purpose of meeting TANF eligibility reporting requirements.
- 22 Sec. 418. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for employment
- 23 and training support services, the department may expand the
- 24 availability of individual development accounts (IDAs) with
- 25 \$200,000.00 for allocation to qualified IDA programs established
- 26 through the Michigan IDA partnership to serve TANF eligible
- 27 households in Michigan. The Michigan IDA partnership shall

- 1 encourage each TANF eligible household served to claim the federal
- 2 earned income tax credit (EITC) and to incorporate all or part of
- 3 any tax credit received in the household's IDA savings plan, and
- 4 shall provide the household with information concerning available
- 5 free tax assistance resources. In addition, the Michigan IDA
- 6 partnership and its program sites shall participate in community
- 7 EITC coalitions established under the plan to increase the EITC
- 8 participation of TANF families referenced in section 666. The same
- 9 amount shall be appropriated annually to further expand IDA
- 10 opportunities to low-income families to become more financially
- 11 self-sufficient through financial education, saving, wise
- 12 investment in home ownership, postsecondary education, small
- 13 business development, or a combination of those programs.
- 14 Sec. 424. Of the funds appropriated in part 1 for employment
- and training, \$200,000.00 in TANF funds may be used for the
- 16 effective family formation program by the child and family resource
- 17 council in Kent County for the purpose of instructing unwed parents
- 18 in developing family formation and sustaining behaviors.

## 19 CHILDREN'S SERVICES

- 20 Sec. 501. The following goal is established by state law.
- 21 During fiscal year 2008-2009, not more than 3,000 children
- 22 supervised by the department shall remain in foster care longer
- 23 than 24 months. The department shall give priority to reducing the
- 24 number of children under 1 year of age in foster care. During the
- 25 annual budget presentation, the department shall report on the
- 26 number of children supervised by the department and by private

- 1 agencies who remain in foster care between 12 and 24 months, and
- 2 those who remain in foster care longer than 24 months.
- 3 Sec. 502. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for foster
- 4 care, the department shall provide 50% reimbursement to Indian
- 5 tribal governments for foster care expenditures for children who
- 6 are under the jurisdiction of Indian tribal courts and who are not
- 7 otherwise eligible for federal foster care cost sharing.
- 8 Sec. 503. The department shall continue adoption subsidy
- 9 payments to families after the eighteenth birthday of an adoptee
- 10 who meets the following criteria:
- 11 (a) Has not yet graduated from high school or passed a high
- 12 school equivalency examination.
- 13 (b) Is making progress toward completing high school.
- 14 (c) Has not yet reached his or her nineteenth birthday.
- 15 (d) Is not eligible for federal supplemental security income
- 16 (SSI) payments.
- 17 Sec. 508. (1) In addition to the amount appropriated in part 1
- 18 for children's trust fund grants, money granted or money received
- 19 as gifts or donations to the children's trust fund created by 1982
- 20 PA 249, MCL 21.171 to 21.172, is appropriated for expenditure.
- 21 (2) The state child abuse and neglect prevention board may
- 22 initiate a joint project with another state agency to the extent
- 23 that the project supports the programmatic goals of both the state
- 24 child abuse and neglect prevention board and the state agency. The
- 25 department may invoice the state agency for shared costs of a joint
- 26 project in an amount authorized by the state agency, and the state
- 27 child abuse and neglect prevention board may receive and expend

- 1 funds for shared costs of a joint project in addition to those
- 2 authorized by part 1.
- 3 (3) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for the children's
- 4 trust fund, the department may utilize interest and investment
- 5 revenue from the current fiscal year only for programs,
- 6 administration, services, or all sanctioned by the child abuse and
- 7 neglect prevention board.
- 8 (4) The department and the child abuse neglect and prevention
- 9 board shall collaborate to ensure that administrative delays are
- 10 avoided and the local grant recipients and direct service providers
- 11 receive money in an expeditious manner. The department and board
- 12 shall seek to have the children's trust fund grants distributed no
- 13 later than October 31, 2008.
- Sec. 509. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
- 15 department shall not expend funds to preserve or reunite a family,
- 16 unless there is a court order requiring the preservation or
- 17 reuniting of the family or the court denies the petition, if either
- 18 of the following would result:
- 19 (a) A child would be living in the same household with a
- 20 parent or other adult who has been convicted of criminal sexual
- 21 conduct against a child.
- 22 (b) A child would be living in the same household with a
- 23 parent or other adult against whom there is a substantiated charge
- 24 of sexual abuse against a child.
- 25 (2) Notwithstanding subsection (1), this section shall not
- 26 prohibit counseling or other services provided by the department,
- 27 if the service is not directed toward influencing the child to

- 1 remain in an abusive environment, justifying the actions of the
- 2 abuser, or reuniting the family.
- 3 Sec. 510. The department shall not be required to put up for
- 4 bids contracts with service providers if currently only 1 provider
- 5 in the service area exists.
- 6 Sec. 513. (1) The department and representatives of private,
- 7 licensed child caring institutions shall collaborate in
- 8 establishing an out-of-state child placement task force to make
- 9 recommendations on the out-of-state placement of children.
- 10 Representation on the task force shall be equally divided between
- 11 the department and private, licensed child caring institutions.
- 12 (2) The department shall not expend money appropriated in part
- 13 1 to pay for the direct placement by the department of a child in
- 14 an out-of-state facility unless all of the following conditions are
- **15** met:
- 16 (a) There is no appropriate placement available in this state,
- 17 and an out-of-state placement exists within 100 miles of the
- 18 child's home.
- 19 (b) The out-of-state facility meets all of the licensing
- 20 standards of this state for a comparable facility.
- (c) The out-of-state facility meets all of the applicable
- 22 licensing standards of the state in which it is located.
- 23 (d) The department has done an on-site visit to the out-of-
- 24 state facility, reviewed the facility records, and reviewed
- 25 licensing records and reports on the facility and believes that the
- 26 facility is an appropriate placement for the child.
- 27 (3) The child placement task force shall work with the

- 1 department to establish a reporting process by which counties and
- 2 courts may report negative experiences with out-of-state
- 3 facilities, and whether they would or would not recommend placement
- 4 of youth in those facilities.
- 5 (4) The department shall submit a report by February 1 of each
- 6 year on the number of children who were placed in out-of-state
- 7 facilities during the previous fiscal year, the number of Michigan
- 8 children residing in such facilities at the time of the report, the
- 9 total cost and average per diem cost of these out-of-state
- 10 placements to this state, and a list of each such placement
- 11 arranged by the Michigan county of residence for each child.
- 12 (5) The department shall cooperate with the auditor general to
- 13 conduct an audit of out-of-state placements for the fiscal year
- 14 ending September 30, 2008 to determine if the department properly
- 15 enforced the criteria set forth in section 513 of article 10 of
- 16 2006 PA 345, and to determine if payments to counties were made for
- 17 cases that were not eligible under the provisions of that act. The
- 18 purpose of this audit is solely to determine compliance with the
- 19 criteria. No child who was placed improperly in an out-of-state
- 20 placement shall be forced to relocate to another placement as a
- 21 result of this audit. A county that has received payment for a case
- 22 that this audit determines to be ineligible shall not be required
- 23 to reimburse the state for that payment.
- 24 (6) Future budgets for the department shall include a
- 25 requirement for audits similar to the audit required in subsection
- 26 (5). If a future audit determines a county has been improperly paid
- 27 for an ineligible case under this section, the county may be

- 1 required to repay the amount received for the ineligible case.
- 2 Sec. 514. The department shall make a comprehensive report
- 3 concerning children's protective services (CPS) to the legislature,
- 4 including the senate and house policy offices and the state budget
- 5 director, by January 1, 2009, that shall include all of the
- 6 following:
- 7 (a) Statistical information including, at a minimum, all of
- 8 the following:
- 9 (i) The total number of reports of abuse or neglect
- 10 investigated under the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL
- 11 722.621 to 722.638, and the number of cases classified under
- 12 category I or category II and the number of cases classified under
- 13 category III, category IV, or category V.
- 14 (ii) Characteristics of perpetrators of abuse or neglect and
- 15 the child victims, such as age, relationship, race, and ethnicity
- 16 and whether the perpetrator exposed the child victim to drug
- 17 activity, including the manufacture of illicit drugs, that exposed
- 18 the child victim to significant health and environmental hazards.
- 19 (iii) The mandatory reporter category in which the individual
- 20 who made the report fits, or other categorization if the individual
- 21 is not within a group required to report under the child protection
- 22 law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638.
- 23 (b) New policies related to children's protective services
- 24 including, but not limited to, major policy changes and court
- 25 decisions affecting the children's protective services system
- 26 during the immediately preceding 12-month period.
- (c) The information contained in the report required under

- 1 section 8d(5) of the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL
- 2 722.628d, on cases classified under category III.
- 3 (d) The department policy, or changes to the department
- 4 policy, regarding termination of parental rights or foster
- 5 placement for children who have been exposed to the production of
- 6 illicit drugs in their dwelling place or a place frequented by the
- 7 children.
- 8 (e) The department policy, or changes to the department
- 9 policy, regarding children who have been exposed to the production
- 10 or manufacture of methamphetamines.
- 11 Sec. 515. (1) From the money appropriated in part 1 for foster
- 12 care payments and related administrative costs, the department
- 13 shall use performance-based contracts for foster care services with
- 14 private, nonprofit agencies and other service providers that
- 15 provided satisfactory services under contract before January 1,
- 16 2008. The goal of these contracts shall be to provide incentives
- 17 for agencies to improve services for children in foster care, but
- 18 especially to improve the process of finding them quality permanent
- 19 placements, and reducing their time as foster children. Not later
- 20 than March 30, 2009, the department shall provide an update to the
- 21 senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department
- 22 budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices,
- 23 and the office of the state budget on benchmarks developed in
- 24 conjunction with private providers for these performance contracts,
- 25 results agencies have achieved in improving permanency placements,
- 26 and recommendations for further improvements for foster care
- 27 services across the entire state.

- 1 (2) Performance-based contracts under subsection (1) shall
- 2 include the following:
- 3 (a) When aggregated, the contracts shall provide coverage for
- 4 all areas of this state with an emphasis on use of community-based
- 5 services.
- 6 (b) Service providers shall not refuse a client or resident
- 7 for whom they have the ability, resources, and capacity to care.
- 8 (c) Service providers shall agree to provide services if
- 9 another provider of similar services in a similar region of the
- 10 state is no longer able to provide services.
- 11 (d) Service providers shall designate a specific court and
- 12 county liaison to respond to performance problems and concerns
- 13 about specific caseworkers and services. The liaisons shall be
- 14 identified to all courts and counties where services are provided
- 15 and shall be readily accessible to judges and chief administrative
- 16 officers.
- 17 (e) Service providers shall have clear performance standards
- 18 for staff and caseworkers regarding timely and professional
- 19 interactions with courts that have jurisdiction over children and
- 20 services provided to children.
- 21 (f) Service providers shall establish or maintain quality
- 22 assurance programs or dispute resolution programs to resolve
- 23 caseworker performance problems identified by courts.
- Sec. 517. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
- 25 department is authorized to allocate funds to multipurpose
- 26 collaborative bodies. Priority for activities and services will be
- 27 given to at-risk children and families and cases classified by the

- 1 department as category III or category IV under sections 8 and 8d
- 2 of the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.628 and 722.628d.
- 3 (2) Funds appropriated in part 1 for 0 to 3 may be used to
- 4 fund community-based collaborative prevention services designed to
- 5 do any of the following:
- 6 (a) Foster positive parenting skills especially for parents of
- 7 children under 3 years of age.
- 8 (b) Improve parent/child interaction.
- 9 (c) Promote access to needed community services.
- 10 (d) Increase local capacity to serve families at risk.
- (e) Improve school readiness.
- 12 (f) Support healthy family environments that discourage
- 13 alcohol, tobacco, and other drug use.
- 14 (3) The appropriation provided for in subsection (2) is to
- 15 fund secondary prevention programs as defined in the children's
- 16 trust fund's preapplication materials for fiscal year 2008-2009
- 17 direct services grants.
- 18 (4) Projects funded through the appropriation provided for in
- 19 subsection (2) shall meet all of the following criteria:
- 20 (a) Be awarded through a joint request for proposal process
- 21 established by the department in conjunction with the children's
- 22 trust fund and the state human services directors.
- 23 (b) Be secondary prevention initiatives. Funds are not
- 24 intended to be expended in cases in which neglect or abuse has been
- 25 substantiated.
- 26 (c) Demonstrate that the planned services are part of the
- 27 community's integrated comprehension family support strategy

- 1 endorsed by the community collaborative and, where there is a great
- 2 start collaborative, demonstrate that the planned services are part
- 3 of the community's great start strategic plan.
- 4 (d) Provide a 25% local match of which not more than 10% is
- 5 in-kind goods or services unless the maximum percentage is waived
- 6 by the state human services directors.
- 7 (5) As used in this section, "state human services directors"
- 8 means the director of the department of community health, the
- 9 director of the department of education, and the director of the
- 10 department.
- 11 Sec. 523. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for youth
- 12 in transition, domestic violence prevention and treatment, and
- 13 teenage parent counseling, the department is authorized to make
- 14 allocations of TANF funds only to the agencies that report
- 15 necessary data to the department for the purpose of meeting TANF
- 16 eligibility reporting requirements.
- 17 (2) The agencies receiving teenage parent counseling TANF
- 18 funds shall report to the department on both of the following:
- 19 (a) Whether program services have impacted the following issue
- 20 areas:
- 21 (i) The number of teen participants having fewer repeat
- 22 pregnancies.
- (ii) The completion rate for high school diplomas or GEDs.
- 24 (iii) The teen participants' rate of self-sufficiency.
- 25 (iv) The number of father participants.
- 26 (b) How many teens participate in the programs and have access
- 27 to any or all of the following services:

- 1 (i) Adult supervised, supportive living arrangements.
- 2 (ii) Pregnancy prevention services or referrals.
- 3 (iii) Required completion of high school or receipt of GED,
- 4 including child care to assist young mothers to focus on
- 5 achievement.
- 6 (iv) Support services, including, but not limited to, health
- 7 care, transportation, and counseling.
- 8 (v) Parenting and life-skills training.
- 9 (vi) Education, job training, and employment services.
- 10 (vii) Transition services in order to achieve self-sufficiency.
- 11 (viii) Instruction on self-protection.
- 12 (3) Agencies receiving teenage parent counseling funds shall
- 13 provide at least 10% in matching funds, through any combination of
- 14 local, state, or federal funds or in-kind or other donations.
- Sec. 531. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
- 16 department shall make claims for title IV-E revenues earned as a
- 17 result of eligible costs incurred by local units of government.
- 18 (2) The department shall make payments under subsection (1)
- 19 only to local units of government that have entered into formal
- 20 agreements with the department. The agreement must include all of
- 21 the following:
- 22 (a) Provide for the department to retain 50% of any federal
- 23 revenues earned.
- 24 (b) Provide for department review and approval of the local
- 25 unit's plan for allocating costs to title IV-E.
- 26 (c) Provide for the local unit of government to submit bills
- 27 at times, and in the format, specified by the department.

- 1 (d) Specify that the local unit of government is responsible
- 2 for meeting all federal title IV-E regulation requirements,
- 3 including reporting requirements, with regard to the activities and
- 4 costs being billed to title IV-E.
- 5 (e) Provide for the local unit of government to pay the state
- 6 for the amount of any federal revenues paid to the local unit that
- 7 may subsequently be disallowed by the federal government.
- 8 (f) Be signed by the director of the department, the chief
- 9 executive officer of the local government agency providing the
- 10 title IV-E services, the chair of the county board of
- 11 commissioners, and the chief executive officer of the county.
- 12 Sec. 532. The department shall develop a plan to license
- 13 relatives of foster children as foster care providers to ensure
- 14 consistent high standards of care for those foster children. The
- 15 department shall report on the plan to the senate and house
- 16 appropriations subcommittees with oversight over the department
- 17 budget, the senate and house standing policy committees generally
- 18 concerned with children's issues, the senate and house fiscal
- 19 agencies and policy offices, and the state budget director as part
- 20 of the quarterly reports required by section 582.
- Sec. 537. (1) The department, in collaboration with child
- 22 placing agencies shall develop goals, objectives, and performance
- 23 standards to evaluate achievements and results in providing quality
- 24 foster care for children, reductions in their time in foster care,
- 25 and better permanency placements.
- 26 (2) As part of the quarterly reports required by section 582,
- 27 the department shall submit a report to the senate and house

- 1 appropriations subcommittees with oversight over the department
- 2 budget, the senate and house standing policy committees generally
- 3 concerned with children's issues, the senate and house fiscal
- 4 agencies and policy offices, and the state budget director on the
- 5 goals, objectives, and performance standards developed under
- 6 subsection (1) and the results or outcomes of using the measures.
- 7 (3) The department, in collaboration with child placing
- 8 agencies, shall develop a strategy to implement section 1150 of the
- 9 social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.1150. The strategy shall
- 10 include a requirement that a department caseworker responsible for
- 11 preparing a recommendation to a court concerning a juvenile
- 12 placement shall provide, as part of the recommendation, information
- 13 regarding the requirements of section 1150 of the social welfare
- 14 act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.115o.
- 15 Sec. 546. From the money appropriated in part 1 for foster
- 16 care payments, the department shall pay providers of these services
- 17 a single rate of \$27.00 for foster care excluding independent
- 18 living placements.
- 19 Sec. 548. During the annual budget presentation to the house
- 20 and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget,
- 21 the department shall report on progress in implementing the
- 22 recommendations of the task force that studied the disproportionate
- 23 representation of African-American and other children of color in
- 24 the child welfare and juvenile justice systems as required under
- 25 former section 548 of the fiscal year 2005-2006 budget act for the
- 26 department.
- Sec. 559. If a conflict arises between the provisions of state

- 1 law, department rules, or department policy, and the provisions of
- 2 title IV-E, the provisions of title IV-E prevail.
- 3 Sec. 565. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 4 federally-funded family preservation programs, the department shall
- 5 allocate \$2,000,000.00 to Wayne County to provide home-based
- 6 programs as part of the county expansion of community-based
- 7 services to serve the county's adjudicated delinquent and abused
- 8 and neglected youth.
- 9 (2) One-half of the total amount allocated to Wayne County
- 10 shall be used to serve adjudicated delinquent youth, and 1/2 shall
- 11 be used to serve abused and neglected youth.
- 12 (3) Federal revenues shall be paid to Wayne County as
- 13 reimbursement for actual costs incurred, consistent with
- 14 established federal requirements.
- 15 (4) As a condition of receipt of federal funds pursuant to
- 16 subsection (1), Wayne County shall provide the department with a
- 17 plan for the use of allocated funds in a format to be specified by
- 18 the department. The county shall also provide the department with
- 19 all information required to demonstrate the appropriateness and
- 20 allowability of expenditures and to meet federal financial and
- 21 programmatic reporting requirements.
- 22 Sec. 567. The department, in conjunction with private,
- 23 nonprofit child caring agencies and the chairpersons of the house
- 24 and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget,
- 25 shall review all policies, practices, and definitions for
- 26 residential treatment security levels. The department shall give
- 27 special consideration to how the levels affect the eligibility for

- 1 title IV-E funding of residential facilities for both child
- 2 welfare, abuse and neglect, and juvenile justice youth and whether
- 3 the policies, practices, and definitions are consistent with
- 4 federal title IV-E regulations, with the goal of maximizing the
- 5 amount of federal money available to this state.
- 6 Sec. 570. (1) From the money appropriated in part 1 for the
- 7 subsidized guardianship program, the department shall provide
- 8 subsidies under this program to children who are wards of the court
- 9 under section 2(b) of chapter XIIA of the probate code of 1939,
- 10 1939 PA 288, MCL 712A.2.
- 11 (2) The department shall report during the annual budget
- 12 presentation to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees
- 13 on the department budget the number of guardianship subsidies and
- 14 recommendations for any modifications in the subsidized
- 15 guardianship program.
- 16 Sec. 571. The department shall maintain a title IV-E
- 17 compliance and accountability office with the following goals and
- 18 responsibilities:
- 19 (a) Study efforts in other states to determine best practices
- 20 for title IV-E-related activities and measures to maximize the
- 21 receipt of federal money for eliqible cases.
- 22 (b) Coordinate compliance with federal regulations in order to
- 23 receive title IV-E money.
- 24 (c) Provide necessary technical assistance to local units of
- 25 government, including courts, to ensure proper handling of cases
- 26 and paperwork in preparation for federal audits and reviews.
- 27 (d) Coordinate a program to provide private persons, groups,

- 1 and corporations with incentives to make tax-deductible
- 2 contributions intended to assist foster care families to overcome
- 3 barriers to becoming licensed and eligible to receive title IV-E
- 4 money.
- 5 (e) As part of the quarterly reports required by section 582,
- 6 provide information to the house and senate appropriations
- 7 subcommittees on the department budget on activities and progress
- 8 toward meeting the responsibilities outlined above.
- 9 Sec. 574. (1) From the money appropriated in part 1 for foster
- 10 care payments abuse and neglect, \$2,500,000.00 is allocated to
- 11 support new contracts with private, nonprofit child placing
- 12 agencies to facilitate the licensure of relative caregivers as
- 13 foster parents. Agencies shall receive \$2,300.00 for each
- 14 facilitated licensure.
- 15 (2) From the money appropriated for foster care payments,
- 16 \$375,000.00 is allocated to support family incentive grants to
- 17 private and community-based foster care service providers to assist
- 18 with home improvements needed by foster families to accommodate
- 19 foster children.
- 20 Sec. 575. (1) Of the funds provided for the training of human
- 21 services workers, particularly caseworkers, the department shall
- 22 use appropriated funds to begin cultural sensitivity training and
- 23 awareness with the goal of effectively reducing the number of
- 24 minority children inappropriately removed from their homes for
- 25 neglect and placed in the foster care system when more appropriate
- 26 action would include the provision of support services to the
- 27 family.

- 1 (2) Of the money appropriated to the department for family
- 2 preservation and prevention, more specific focus shall be placed on
- 3 preserving and reunifying families in counties with major urban
- 4 centers.
- 5 (3) As part of the quarterly reports required by section 582,
- 6 the department shall provide a report to the house and senate
- 7 appropriations subcommittees with jurisdiction over the department
- 8 budget, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the house and
- 9 senate policy offices on the specific cultural sensitivity training
- 10 and awareness efforts, family preservation and reunification
- 11 efforts.
- 12 Sec. 579. From the money appropriated in part 1 for youth in
- transition, \$250,000.00 shall be allotted to Wayne County to
- 14 support services provided to eligible delinquent state wards, for
- 15 whom the department is statutorily responsible, to the county's
- 16 juvenile services system.
- Sec. 580. The department and the department of community
- 18 health shall initiate efforts to identify mental health programs
- 19 and activities where the services of the two departments overlap,
- 20 or are uncoordinated. The goal shall be to provide adequate and
- 21 stable mental health services which address the need of the
- 22 individual child without duplicative, confusing, or needlessly
- 23 complex services. The department shall report on these coordination
- 24 efforts with the department of community health during the annual
- 25 budget presentations to the senate and house appropriations
- 26 subcommittees with jurisdiction over the department budget.
- 27 Sec. 582. On the last working day of January, April, July, and

- 1 November, for the preceding fiscal quarter, the department shall
- 2 submit a comprehensive child welfare improvement report, compiling
- 3 material required by each section of this bill related to child
- 4 welfare. This report will be provided to the senate and house
- 5 appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate
- 6 and house standing committees on human services, the senate and
- 7 house fiscal agencies, the senate and house policy offices, and the
- 8 state budget director and will provide an overview of the status of
- 9 all initiatives the department is required to carry out by this
- 10 appropriation bill and the impact of those initiatives on meeting
- 11 the benchmarks established in the federal child and family service
- 12 review process. The report may include information about other
- 13 initiatives of the department and its service delivery partners
- 14 which support improvements in safety, permanency and well-being for
- 15 the children and families served by Michigan's child welfare
- 16 system.

## 17 PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

- 18 Sec. 601. (1) The department may terminate a vendor payment
- 19 for shelter upon written notice from the appropriate local unit of
- 20 government that a recipient's rental unit is not in compliance with
- 21 applicable local housing codes or when the landlord is delinquent
- 22 on property tax payments. A landlord shall be considered to be in
- 23 compliance with local housing codes when the department receives
- 24 from the landlord a signed statement stating that the rental unit
- 25 is in compliance with local housing codes and that statement is not
- 26 contradicted by the recipient and the local housing authority. The

- 1 department shall terminate vendor payments if a taxing authority
- 2 notifies the department that taxes are delinquent.
- 3 (2) Whenever a client agrees to the release of his or her name
- 4 and address to the local housing authority, the department shall
- 5 request from the local housing authority information regarding
- 6 whether the housing unit for which vendoring has been requested
- 7 meets applicable local housing codes. Vendoring shall be terminated
- 8 for those units that the local authority indicates in writing do
- 9 not meet local housing codes until such time as the local authority
- 10 indicates in writing that local housing codes have been met.
- 11 (3) In order to participate in the rent vendoring programs of
- 12 the department, a landlord shall cooperate in weatherization and
- 13 conservation efforts directed by the department or by an energy
- 14 provider participating in an agreement with the department when the
- 15 landlord's property has been identified as needing services.
- Sec. 603. (1) The department, as it determines is appropriate,
- 17 shall enter into agreements with energy providers by which cash
- 18 assistance recipients and the energy providers agree to permit the
- 19 department to make direct payments to the energy providers on
- 20 behalf of the recipient. The payments may include heat and electric
- 21 payment requirements from recipient grants and amounts in excess of
- 22 the payment requirements.
- 23 (2) The department shall establish caps for natural gas, wood,
- 24 electric heat service, deliverable fuel heat services, and for
- 25 electric service based on available federal funds.
- 26 (3) The department shall review and adjust the standard
- 27 utility allowance for the state food assistance program to ensure

- 1 that it reflects current energy costs in the state.
- 2 Sec. 604. (1) The department shall operate a state disability
- 3 assistance program. Except as provided in subsection (3), persons
- 4 eligible for this program shall include needy citizens of the
- 5 United States or aliens exempted from the supplemental security
- 6 income citizenship requirement who are at least 18 years of age or
- 7 emancipated minors meeting 1 or more of the following requirements:
- 8 (a) A recipient of supplemental security income, social
- 9 security, or medical assistance due to disability or 65 years of
- 10 age or older.
- 11 (b) A person with a physical or mental impairment which meets
- 12 federal supplemental security income disability standards, except
- 13 that the minimum duration of the disability shall be 90 days.
- 14 Substance abuse alone is not defined as a basis for eligibility.
- 15 (c) A resident of an adult foster care facility, a home for
- 16 the aged, a county infirmary, or a substance abuse treatment
- 17 center.
- 18 (d) A person receiving 30-day postresidential substance abuse
- 19 treatment.
- (e) A person diagnosed as having acquired immunodeficiency
- 21 syndrome.
- 22 (f) A person receiving special education services through the
- 23 local intermediate school district.
- 24 (g) A caretaker of a disabled person as defined in subdivision
- 25 (a), (b), (e), or (f) above.
- 26 (2) Applicants for and recipients of the state disability
- 27 assistance program shall be considered needy if they:

- 1 (a) Meet the same asset test as is applied to applicants for
- 2 the family independence program.
- 3 (b) Have a monthly budgetable income that is less than the
- 4 payment standards.
- 5 (3) Except for a person described in subsection (1)(c) or (d),
- 6 a person is not disabled for purposes of this section if his or her
- 7 drug addiction or alcoholism is a contributing factor material to
- 8 the determination of disability. "Material to the determination of
- 9 disability" means that, if the person stopped using drugs or
- 10 alcohol, his or her remaining physical or mental limitations would
- 11 not be disabling. If his or her remaining physical or mental
- 12 limitations would be disabling, then the drug addiction or
- 13 alcoholism is not material to the determination of disability and
- 14 the person may receive state disability assistance. Such a person
- 15 must actively participate in a substance abuse treatment program,
- 16 and the assistance must be paid to a third party or through vendor
- 17 payments. For purposes of this section, substance abuse treatment
- 18 includes receipt of inpatient or outpatient services or
- 19 participation in alcoholics anonymous or a similar program.
- 20 (4) A refugee or asylee who loses his or her eligibility for
- 21 the federal supplemental security income program by virtue of
- 22 exceeding the maximum time limit for eligibility as delineated in 8
- 23 USC 1612 and who otherwise meets the eligibility criteria under
- 24 this section shall be eliqible to receive benefits under the state
- 25 disability assistance program.
- 26 Sec. 605. The level of reimbursement provided to state
- 27 disability assistance recipients in licensed adult foster care

- 1 facilities shall be the same as the prevailing supplemental
- 2 security income rate under the personal care category.
- 3 Sec. 606. County department offices shall require each
- 4 recipient of family independence program and state disability
- 5 assistance who has applied with the social security administration
- 6 for supplemental security income to sign a contract to repay any
- 7 assistance rendered through the state disability assistance program
- 8 upon receipt of retroactive supplemental security income benefits.
- 9 Sec. 608. Adult foster care facilities providing domiciliary
- 10 care or personal care to residents receiving supplemental security
- 11 income or homes for the aged serving residents receiving
- 12 supplemental security income shall not require those residents to
- 13 reimburse the home or facility for care at rates in excess of those
- 14 legislatively authorized. To the extent permitted by federal law,
- 15 adult foster care facilities and homes for the aged serving
- 16 residents receiving supplemental security income shall not be
- 17 prohibited from accepting third-party payments in addition to
- 18 supplemental security income provided that the payments are not for
- 19 food, clothing, shelter, or result in a reduction in the
- 20 recipient's supplemental security income payment.
- 21 Sec. 609. The state supplementation level under the
- 22 supplemental security income program for the personal care/adult
- 23 foster care and home for the aged categories shall not be reduced
- 24 during the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007 and ending
- 25 September 30, 2008. The legislature shall be notified not less than
- 26 30 days before any proposed reduction in the state supplementation
- 27 level.

- 1 Sec. 610. In developing good cause criteria for the state
- 2 emergency relief program, the department shall grant exemptions if
- 3 the emergency resulted from unexpected expenses related to
- 4 maintaining or securing employment.
- 5 Sec. 611. (1) A provider of indigent burial services may
- 6 collect additional payment from relatives or other persons on
- 7 behalf of the deceased if the total additional payment does not
- 8 exceed \$2,600.00.
- 9 (2) Any additional payment collected pursuant to subsection
- 10 (1) shall not increase the maximum charge limit for state payment
- 11 as established by law.
- 12 Sec. 612. For purposes of determining housing affordability
- 13 eligibility for state emergency relief, a group is considered to
- 14 have sufficient income to meet ongoing housing expenses if their
- 15 total housing obligation does not exceed 75% of their total net
- 16 income.
- Sec. 613. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for indigent
- 18 burial, the maximum allowable reimbursement limit for indigent
- 19 burials shall be \$700.00, which shall be distributed as follows:
- 20 \$455.00 for funeral directors, \$145.00 for cemeteries or
- 21 crematoriums, and \$100.00 for the provider of the vault.
- 22 Sec. 614. The funds available in part 1 for burial services
- 23 shall be available if the deceased was an eligible recipient and an
- 24 application for emergency relief funds was made within 10 days of
- 25 the burial or cremation of the deceased person. Each provider of
- 26 burial services shall be paid directly by the department.
- 27 Sec. 615. Except as required by federal law or regulations,

- 1 funds appropriated in part 1 shall not be used to provide public
- 2 assistance to a person who is an illegal alien. This section shall
- 3 not prohibit the department from entering into contracts with food
- 4 banks or emergency shelter providers or other human service
- 5 agencies who may, as a normal part of doing business, provide food
- 6 or emergency shelter.
- 7 Sec. 617. In operating the family independence program with
- 8 funds appropriated in part 1, the department shall not approve as a
- 9 minor parent's adult supervised household a living arrangement in
- 10 which the minor parent lives with his or her partner as the
- 11 supervising adult.
- 12 Sec. 618. The department may only reduce, terminate, or
- 13 suspend assistance provided under the social welfare act, 1939 PA
- 14 280, MCL 400.1 to 400.119b, without prior notice in 1 or more of
- 15 the following situations:
- 16 (a) The only eligible recipient has died.
- 17 (b) A recipient member of a program group or family
- 18 independence assistance group has died.
- 19 (c) A recipient child is removed from his or her family home
- 20 by court action.
- 21 (d) A recipient requests in writing that his or her assistance
- 22 be reduced, terminated, or suspended.
- 23 (e) A recipient has been approved to receive assistance in
- 24 another state.
- 25 (f) A change in either state or federal law that requires
- 26 automatic grant adjustments for classes of recipients.
- 27 (g) The only eligible recipient in the household has been

- 1 incarcerated.
- 2 (h) A recipient is no longer a Michigan resident.
- 3 (i) A recipient is closed on 1 case to be activated on
- 4 another.
- 5 (j) Federal payments (other than RSDI, railroad retirement, or
- 6 VA) to the group have begun or increased.
- 7 (k) A recipient is disqualified for intentional program
- 8 violation.
- 9 (1) When the department's negative action is upheld in an
- 10 administrative hearing.
- 11 Sec. 619. The department shall exempt from the denial of title
- 12 IV-A assistance and food assistance benefits, contained in 21 USC
- 13 862a, any individual who has been convicted of a felony that
- 14 included the possession, use, or distribution of a controlled
- 15 substance, after August 22, 1996, provided that the individual is
- 16 not in violation of his or her probation or parole requirements.
- 17 Benefits shall be provided to such individuals as follows:
- 18 (a) A third-party payee or vendor shall be required for any
- 19 cash benefits provided.
- 20 (b) An authorized representative shall be required for food
- 21 assistance receipt.
- 22 Sec. 620. The department with the approval of the state budget
- 23 director is authorized to increase federal spending authority for
- 24 food assistance program benefits if projected caseload spending
- 25 will exceed the spending authority in part 1. This authorization
- 26 adjustment shall be made 15 days after notifying the chairs of the
- 27 house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department

- 1 budget and house and senate fiscal agencies.
- 2 Sec. 621. Funds appropriated in part 1 may be used to support
- 3 multicultural assimilation and support services. The department
- 4 shall distribute all of the funds described in this section based
- 5 on assessed community needs.
- 6 Sec. 627. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for the ECIC,
- 7 the department shall contract for the creation and support of
- 8 great start communities. Great start collaborative grants will be
- 9 awarded by competitive bid process to eligible intermediate
- 10 districts in an amount to be determined by the ECIC. The ECIC shall
- 11 provide technical assistance to great start communities through
- 12 intermediate school districts or other community agencies for the
- 13 implementation of their great start community needs assessment and
- 14 strategic plan.
- Sec. 631. The department shall maintain policies and
- 16 procedures to achieve all of the following:
- 17 (a) The identification of individuals on entry into the system
- 18 who have a history of domestic violence, while maintaining the
- 19 confidentiality of that information.
- 20 (b) Referral of persons so identified to counseling and
- 21 supportive services.
- 22 (c) In accordance with a determination of good cause, the
- 23 waiving of certain requirements of family independence programs
- 24 where compliance with those requirements would make it more
- 25 difficult for the individual to escape domestic violence or would
- 26 unfairly penalize individuals who have been victims of domestic
- 27 violence or who are at risk of further domestic violence.

- 1 Sec. 635. Within 24 hours of receiving all information
- 2 necessary to process an application for payments for child day
- 3 care, the department shall determine whether the child day care
- 4 provider to whom the payments, if approved, would be made, is
- 5 listed on the child abuse and neglect central registry. If the
- 6 provider is listed on the central registry, the department shall
- 7 immediately send written notice denying the applicant's request for
- 8 child day care payments.
- 9 Sec. 640. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for day
- 10 care services, the department may continue to provide infant and
- 11 toddler incentive payments to child day care providers serving
- 12 children from 0 to 2-1/2 years of age who meet licensing or
- 13 training requirements.
- 14 (2) The use of the funds under this section should not be
- 15 considered an ongoing commitment of funding.
- 16 Sec. 643. As a condition of receipt of federal TANF funds,
- 17 homeless shelters and human service agencies shall collaborate with
- 18 the department to obtain necessary TANF eligibility information on
- 19 families as soon as possible after admitting a family to the
- 20 homeless shelter. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 21 homeless programs, the department is authorized to make allocations
- 22 of TANF funds only to the agencies that report necessary data to
- 23 the department for the purpose of meeting TANF eligibility
- 24 reporting requirements. Homeless shelters that do not report
- 25 necessary data to the department for the purpose of meeting TANF
- 26 eligibility reporting requirements will not receive reimbursements
- 27 which exceed the per diem amount they received in fiscal year 2000.

- 1 The use of TANF funds under this section should not be considered
- 2 an ongoing commitment of funding.
- 3 Sec. 645. An individual or family is considered homeless, for
- 4 purposes of eligibility for state emergency relief, if living
- 5 temporarily with others in order to escape domestic violence. For
- 6 purposes of this section, domestic violence is defined and verified
- 7 in the same manner as in the department's policies on good cause
- 8 for not cooperating with child support and paternity requirements.
- 9 Sec. 653. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for food
- 10 assistance, an individual who is the victim of domestic violence
- 11 and does not qualify for any other exemption may be exempt from the
- 12 3-month in 36-month limit on receiving food assistance under 7 USC
- 13 2015. This exemption can be extended an additional 3 months upon
- 14 demonstration of continuing need.
- 15 Sec. 657. (1) The department shall fund a statewide before- or
- 16 after-school program to provide youth with a safe, engaging
- 17 environment to motivate and inspire learning outside the
- 18 traditional classroom setting. Before- or after-school program
- 19 eligibility is limited to geographic areas near school buildings
- 20 that do not meet federal no child left behind annual yearly
- 21 progress (AYP) requirements and that include the before- or after-
- 22 school programs in the AYP plans as a means to improve outcomes.
- 23 Before-school programs are limited to elementary school-aged
- 24 children. Effective before- or after-school programs combine
- 25 academic, enrichment, and recreation activities to guide learning
- 26 and inspire children and youth in various activities. The before-
- 27 or after-school programs can meet the needs of the communities

- 1 served by the programs.
- 2 (2) The department shall work in collaboration with
- 3 independent contractors to put into practice a program establishing
- 4 quality before- or after-school programs for children in
- 5 kindergarten to ninth grades. In order for an independent
- 6 contractor to receive TANF funds, a child served must be a member
- 7 of a family with an income that does not exceed 200% of the federal
- 8 poverty guidelines published by the United States department of
- 9 health and human services.
- 10 (3) The department shall, through a competitive bid process,
- 11 provide grants or contracts up to \$5,000,000.00 in TANF funds for
- 12 the program based on community needs. A county shall receive no
- more than 20% of the funds appropriated in part 1 for this program.
- 14 From the funds appropriated in part 1 for before- or after-school
- 15 programs within day care services, the department is authorized to
- 16 make allocations of funds only to the agencies that report
- 17 necessary data to the department for the purpose of meeting TANF
- 18 and maintenance of effort eligibility reporting requirements. The
- 19 use of funds under this section should not be considered an ongoing
- 20 commitment of funding.
- 21 (4) The before- or after-school programs shall include
- 22 academic assistance, including assistance with reading and writing,
- 23 and at least 3 of the following topics:
- 24 (a) Abstinence-based pregnancy prevention.
- 25 (b) Chemical abuse and dependency including nonmedical
- 26 services.
- (c) Gang violence prevention.

- 1 (d) Preparation toward future self-sufficiency.
- 2 (e) Leadership development.
- 3 (f) Case management or mentoring.
- 4 (q) Parental involvement.
- 5 (h) Anger management.
- 6 (5) The department may enter into grants or contracts with
- 7 independent contractors including, but not limited to, faith-based
- 8 organizations, boys or girls clubs, schools, or nonprofit
- 9 organizations. The department shall grant priority in funding
- 10 independent contractors who secure at least 25% in matching funds.
- 11 The matching funds may either be fulfilled through local, state, or
- 12 federal funds, and/or through in-kind or other donations.
- 13 (6) A referral to a program may be made by, but is not limited
- 14 to, any of the following: a teacher, counselor, parent, police
- 15 officer, judge, or social worker.
- Sec. 660. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for food bank
- 17 funding, the department is authorized to make allocations of TANF
- 18 funds only to the agencies that report necessary data to the
- 19 department for the purpose of meeting TANF eligibility reporting
- 20 requirements. The agencies that do not report necessary data to the
- 21 department for the purpose of meeting TANF eligibility reporting
- 22 requirements will not receive allocations in excess of those
- 23 received in fiscal year 2000. The use of TANF funds under this
- 24 section should not be considered an ongoing commitment of funding.
- Sec. 665. The department shall partner with the department of
- 26 transportation and may partner with other entities to use TANF and
- 27 other sources of available funding to support public transportation

- 1 needs of TANF-eligible individuals. This partnership shall place a
- 2 priority on transportation needs for employment or seeking
- 3 employment or medical or health-related transportation.
- 4 Sec. 666. The department shall continue efforts to increase
- 5 the participation of eligible family independence program
- 6 recipients in the federal earned income tax credit.
- 7 Sec. 668. (1) In coordination with the Michigan alliance of
- 8 boys and girls clubs, the department shall expend \$250,000.00 to
- 9 make allocations for a statewide collaborative project to develop a
- 10 community-based program available to children ages 6 to 15.
- 11 (2) The department shall grant priority in funding to programs
- 12 that provide at least 10% in matching funds. The matching funds
- 13 requirement shall be fulfilled through any combination of local,
- 14 state, or federal funds or in-kind or other donations. A program
- 15 that cannot meet the matching requirement shall not be excluded
- 16 from applying for a contract.
- Sec. 669. (1) The department shall distribute cash and food
- 18 assistance to recipients electronically by using debit cards.
- 19 (2) The department shall allocate up to \$11,088,000.00 for the
- 20 annual clothing allowance. The allowance shall be granted to all
- 21 eligible children as defined by the department.
- 22 Sec. 673. The department shall immediately send notification
- 23 to a client participating in the state child day care program and
- 24 his or her child day care provider if the client's eligibility is
- 25 reduced or eliminated.
- 26 Sec. 674. The department shall develop and implement a plan to
- 27 reduce waste, fraud, and abuse within the child day care program.

- 1 Beginning December 31, 2008, the department shall report annually
- 2 to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees for the
- 3 department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy
- 4 offices, and the state budget director on plan details and
- 5 implementation status.
- 6 Sec. 676. (1) The department shall collaborate with the state
- 7 board of education to extend the duration of the Michigan after-
- 8 school partnership and oversee its efforts to implement the policy
- 9 recommendations and strategic next steps identified in the Michigan
- 10 after-school initiative's report of December 15, 2003.
- 11 (2) From the funds appropriated in part 1, \$25,000.00 may be
- 12 used to support the Michigan after-school partnership and shall be
- 13 used to leverage other private and public funding to engage the
- 14 public and private sectors in building and sustaining high-quality
- 15 out-of-school-time programs and resources. The co-chairs shall name
- 16 a fiduciary agent and may authorize the fiduciary to expend funds
- 17 and hire people to accomplish the work of the Michigan after-school
- 18 partnership.
- 19 (3) Each year, on or before December 31, the Michigan after-
- 20 school partnership shall report its progress in reaching the
- 21 recommendations set forth in the Michigan after-school initiative's
- 22 report to the senate and house committees on appropriations, the
- 23 senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices, and the state
- 24 budget director.
- 25 Sec. 677. The department shall establish a state goal for the
- 26 percentage of family independence program (FIP) cases involved in
- 27 employment activities. The percentage established shall not be less

- 1 than 50%. On a quarterly basis, the department shall report to the
- 2 senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department
- 3 budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices,
- 4 and the state budget director, within 90 days after the end of the
- 5 quarter, on the current percentage of FIP cases involved in
- 6 employment activities and the current percentage of JET pilot
- 7 program cases involved in employment activities. If the FIP case
- 8 percentage is below the goal for more than 2 consecutive quarters,
- 9 the department shall develop a plan to increase the percentage of
- 10 FIP cases involved in employment-related activities. The department
- 11 shall deliver the plan during the next annual budget presentation
- 12 to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the
- 13 department budget.
- 14 Sec. 678. (1) The department shall provide the house and
- 15 senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget with
- 16 an annual report on the activities of the early childhood
- 17 investment corporation (ECIC). The report is due by February 1 of
- 18 each year and shall contain at least the following information:
- 19 (a) Detail of the amounts of grants awarded.
- 20 (b) The grant recipients.
- 21 (c) The activities funded by each grant.
- 22 (d) An analysis of each grant recipient's success in
- 23 addressing the development of a comprehensive system of early
- 24 childhood services and supports.
- 25 (2) All contracts for comprehensive systems planning shall be
- 26 bid out through a statewide request-for-proposal process, and the
- 27 department shall send a report to the house and senate

- 1 appropriations subcommittees on the department budget covering the
- 2 selection criteria for establishing contracts at least 30 days
- 3 before the issuance of any request for proposals.
- 4 Sec. 683. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1 for SSI
- 5 advocacy, \$1,275,000.00 shall be paid to the Michigan state bar
- 6 foundation for SSI advocacy services provided by the legal services
- 7 association of Michigan.
- 8 (2) The department shall not provide payment to the legal
- 9 services association of Michigan for assisting a recipient to
- 10 submit a frivolous appeal or application or for assisting a
- 11 recipient who has submitted multiple applications that have been
- 12 denied regarding the same disability, unless the legal services
- 13 association of Michigan determines that there is a valid reason to
- 14 pursue an appeal.
- Sec. 685. (1) Not later than March 1, 2009, the department
- 16 shall report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees
- 17 with jurisdiction over the department budget, and to the senate and
- 18 house appropriations subcommittees with jurisdiction over the
- 19 department of community health budget, on the number of recipients
- 20 that applied for Medicaid coverage, the number of recipients that
- 21 were approved for Medicaid coverage, and the number of recipients
- 22 that were denied Medicaid coverage. The report shall describe these
- 23 statistics for fiscal year 2008-2009 and summarize department
- 24 programs to assist persons in applying for Medicaid.
- 25 (2) Not later than March 1, 2009, the department shall report
- 26 to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees with
- 27 jurisdiction over the department budget, and to the senate and

- 1 house subcommittees with jurisdiction over the department of
- 2 community health budget, on the number of applicants for home help
- 3 services. The department shall give a summary report on the number
- 4 of approved applications, denied applications, pending
- 5 applications, and the number of applications in which the applicant
- 6 was eligible for nursing home services.

# JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES

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- 8 Sec. 705. (1) The department, in conjunction with private
- 9 juvenile justice residential programs, shall develop a methodology
- 10 for measuring goals, objectives, and performance standards for the
- 11 delivery of juvenile justice residential programs based on national
- 12 standards and best practices. These goals, objectives, and
- 13 performance standards shall apply to both public and private
- 14 delivery of juvenile justice residential programs, and data shall
- 15 be collected from both private and public juvenile justice
- 16 residential programs that can be used to evaluate performance
- 17 achievements, including, but not limited to, the following:
- 18 (a) Admission and release data and other information related
- 19 to demographics of population served.
- 20 (b) Program descriptions and information related to treatment,
- 21 educational services, and conditions of confinement.
- (c) Program outcomes including recidivism rates for youth
- 23 served by the facility.
- 24 (d) Trends in census and population demographics.
- (e) Staff and resident safety.
- (f) Facility profile.

- 1 (g) Fiscal information necessary for qualitative understanding
- 2 of program operations and comparative costs of public and private
- 3 facilities.
- 4 (2) The department during the annual budget presentation shall
- 5 outline the progress of the development of the goals, objectives,
- 6 and performance standards, as well as the information collected
- 7 through the implementation of the performance measurement program.
- 8 The presentation shall include all of the following:
- 9 (a) Actual cost and actual days of care by facility for the
- 10 most recently completed fiscal year.
- 11 (b) Actual cost per day per youth by facility for the most
- 12 recently completed fiscal year.
- 13 (c) An analysis of the variance between the estimated cost and
- 14 days of care assumed in the original appropriation and the figures
- 15 in subdivisions (a) and (b).
- 16 (d) Both the number of authorized FTE positions for each
- 17 facility and the number of actual on-board FTE positions for the
- 18 most recently completed fiscal year.
- 19 (3) As a condition of receiving reimbursement from the state
- 20 for juvenile justice residential program services, private
- 21 providers must comply with the data reporting requirements
- 22 contained in this section.
- 23 Sec. 706. Counties shall be subject to 50% charge-back for the
- 24 use of alternative regional detention services, if those detention
- 25 services do not fall under the basic provision of section 117e of
- 26 the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.117e, or if a county
- 27 operates those detention services programs primarily with

- 1 professional rather than volunteer staff.
- 2 Sec. 707. In order to be reimbursed for child care fund
- 3 expenditures, counties are required to submit department-developed
- 4 reports to enable the department to document potential federally
- 5 claimable expenditures. This requirement is in accordance with the
- 6 reporting requirements specified in section 117a(7) of the social
- 7 welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.117a.
- 8 Sec. 708. As a condition of receiving money appropriated in
- 9 part 1 for the child care fund line item, by February 15, 2009,
- 10 counties shall have an approved service spending plan for the
- 11 fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. Counties must submit the
- 12 service spending plan to the department by December 15, 2008 for
- 13 approval.

### 14 LOCAL OFFICE SERVICES

- Sec. 750. The department shall maintain out-stationed
- 16 eligibility specialists in community-based organizations and
- 17 hospitals.
- 18 Sec. 751. (1) From the funds appropriated in part 1, the
- 19 department shall implement school-based family resource centers
- 20 based on the following quidelines:
- 21 (a) The center is supported by the local school district.
- (b) The programs and information provided at the center do not
- 23 conflict with sections 1169, 1507, and 1507b of the revised school
- 24 code, 1976 PA 451, MCL 380.1169, 380.1507, and 380.1507b.
- (c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), the center shall provide
- 26 information regarding crisis pregnancy centers or adoption service

- 1 providers in the area.
- 2 (2) The department shall notify the senate and house
- 3 subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal
- 4 agencies and policy offices, and the state budget office of family
- 5 resource center expansion efforts and shall provide all of the
- 6 following at the beginning of the selection process or no later
- 7 than 5 days after eligible schools receive opportunity
- 8 notification:
- 9 (a) A list of eligible schools.
- 10 (b) The selection criteria to be used.
- 11 (c) The projected number to be opened.
- 12 (d) The financial implications for expansion, including
- 13 funding sources.
- 14 Sec. 754. The department shall allow private nationally
- 15 accredited foster care and adoption agencies to conduct their own
- 16 staff training, based on current department policies and
- 17 procedures, provided that the agency trainer and training materials
- 18 are accredited by the department, and that the agency documents to
- 19 the department that the training was provided. The department shall
- 20 provide access to any training materials requested by the private
- 21 agencies to facilitate this training.

# 22 DISABILITY DETERMINATION SERVICES

- Sec. 801. The department disability determination services in
- 24 agreement with the department of management and budget office of
- 25 retirement systems will develop the medical information and make
- 26 recommendations for medical disability retirement for state

1 employees, state police, judges, and schoolteachers.

### 2 CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT

- 3 Sec. 901. (1) The appropriations in part 1 assume a total
- 4 federal child support incentive payment of \$26,500,000.00.
- 5 (2) From the federal money received for child support
- 6 incentive payments, \$12,000,000.00 shall be retained by the state
- 7 and expended for child support program expenses.
- 8 (3) From the federal money received for child support
- 9 incentive payments, \$14,500,000.00 shall be paid to the counties
- 10 based on each county's performance level for each of the federal
- 11 performance measures as established in the code of federal
- 12 regulations, CFR 45.305.2.
- 13 (4) If the child support incentive payment to the state from
- 14 the federal government is greater than \$26,500,000.00, then 100% of
- 15 the excess shall be retained by the state and is appropriated until
- 16 the total retained by the state reaches \$15,397,400.00.
- 17 (5) If the child support incentive payment to the state from
- 18 the federal government is greater than the amount needed to satisfy
- 19 the provisions identified in subsections (1), (2), (3), and (4),
- 20 the additional funds shall be subject to appropriation by the
- 21 legislature.
- 22 (6) If the child support incentive payment to the state from
- 23 the federal government is less than \$26,500,000.00, then the state
- 24 and county share shall each be reduced by 50% of the shortfall.
- 25 (7) From the state funds appropriated in part 1 for child
- 26 support enforcement, not less than \$9,570,000.00 shall be paid to

- 1 counties for use as the local/state match for federal title IV-D
- 2 services provided by the friend of the court and prosecuting
- 3 attorney. The money is to be used to offset the net effect of the
- 4 federal deficit reduction act that prohibits the use of federal
- 5 performance incentive funds paid to the state as local/state match
- 6 funds.
- 7 Sec. 902. (1) The department shall consult with the department
- 8 of treasury and any outside consultant with collections expertise
- 9 under contract with the department of treasury to develop a plan to
- 10 maximize the collection of child support and child support
- 11 arrearage settlement for the purposes of this section.
- 12 (2) The department shall provide semiannual reports to the
- 13 legislature concerning money expended and child support collected
- 14 as a result of all collection agency projects.
- Sec. 905. Of the funds appropriated in part 1 for child
- 16 support collections, \$500,000.00 shall be allocated to counties for
- 17 the local match for friend of the court services legal support
- 18 contracts and to payments to county prosecutors for related legal
- 19 services.
- 20 Sec. 906. From the funds appropriated in part 1 for legal
- 21 support contracts, \$500,000.00 shall be allocated and paid pursuant
- 22 to section 18a of the social welfare act, 1939 PA 280, MCL 400.18a.
- 23 Sec. 909. In addition to the funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 24 state retained child support collections, 75% of the amount that
- 25 each county's collections exceed the amount the county collected in
- 26 fiscal year 2005 is appropriated for distribution to that county
- 27 for use in the IV-D program. This distribution shall occur only if

- 1 the total state retained child support collections exceed the
- 2 statewide amount collected in fiscal year 2005. The funds
- 3 distributed to counties pursuant to this section shall be used to
- 4 supplement and not supplant county IV-D funding. Counties
- 5 participating in projects pursuant to Sec. 902 will receive 75% of
- 6 qualifying collections reduced by the amount paid to the vendor.
- 7 This authorization adjustment shall be made upon notification of
- 8 the chairs of the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on
- 9 the department budget, the house and senate fiscal agencies and the
- 10 state budget director.
- 11 Sec. 910. If title IV-D-related child support collections are
- 12 escheated, the state budget director is authorized to adjust the
- 13 sources of financing for the funds appropriated in part 1 for legal
- 14 support contracts to reduce federal authorization by 66% of the
- 15 escheated amount and increase general fund/general purpose
- 16 authorization by the same amount. This budget adjustment is
- 17 required to offset the loss of federal revenue due to the escheated
- 18 amount being counted as title IV-D program income in accordance
- 19 with federal regulations at 045 CFR 304.50.
- 20 Sec. 911. The department will implement a \$25 annual fee
- 21 pursuant to title IV-D, section 454(6)B)(ii), of the social
- 22 security act (42 U.S.C. 651 et seq.). The fee shall be deducted
- 23 from support collected on behalf of the individual. Fee revenues
- 24 shall be used to administer and operate the child support program
- 25 under part D of title IV of the social security act.

### 26 BUREAU OF CHILDREN AND ADULT LICENSING

- 1 Sec. 1005. The department shall implement a performance-based
- 2 licensing model with available resources that will assure
- 3 compliance with department policy and statutory mandates. This
- 4 model will prioritize licensing activities based on risk to the
- 5 vulnerable children and adults residing in or receiving services
- 6 from licensees.
- 7 Sec. 1006. The department shall assess fees in the licensing
- 8 and regulation of child care organizations as defined in 1973 PA
- **9** 116, MCL 722.111 to 722.128, and adult foster care facilities as
- 10 defined in the adult foster care facility licensing act, 1979 PA
- 11 218, MCL 400.701 to 400.737. Fees collected by the department shall
- 12 be used exclusively for the purpose of licensing and regulating
- 13 child care organizations and adult foster care facilities.
- 14 Sec. 1007. The department shall furnish the clerk of the
- 15 house, the secretary of the senate, the senate and house fiscal
- 16 agencies and policy offices, the state budget office, and all
- 17 members of the house and senate appropriations committees with a
- 18 summary of any evaluation reports and subsequent approvals or
- 19 disapprovals of juvenile residential facilities operated by the
- 20 department, as required by section 6 of 1973 PA 116, MCL 722.116.
- 21 If no evaluations are conducted during the fiscal year, the
- 22 department shall notify the fiscal agencies and all members of the
- 23 appropriate subcommittees of the house and senate appropriations
- 24 committees.

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### COMMUNITY ACTION AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

26 Sec. 1101. Not later than September 30 of each year, the

- 1 department shall submit for public hearing to the chairpersons of
- 2 the house and senate appropriations subcommittees dealing with
- 3 appropriations for the department budget the proposed use and
- 4 distribution plan for community services block grant funds
- 5 appropriated in part 1 for the succeeding fiscal year.
- 6 Sec. 1102. The department shall develop a plan based on
- 7 recommendations from the department of civil rights and from Native
- 8 American organizations to assure that the community services block
- 9 grant funds are equitably distributed. The plan must be developed
- 10 by October 31, 2008, and the plan shall be delivered to the
- 11 appropriations subcommittees on the department budget in the senate
- 12 and house, the senate and house fiscal agencies, and the state
- 13 budget director.
- Sec. 1103. The appropriation in part 1 for the weatherization
- 15 program shall be expended so that at least 25% of the households
- 16 weatherized under the program shall be households of families
- 17 receiving 1 or more of the following:
- (a) Family independence program assistance.
- 19 (b) State disability assistance.
- 20 (c) Food assistance.
- 21 (d) Supplemental security income.
- 22 Sec. 1104. (1) Of the funds appropriated in part 1 for
- 23 community services block grants, \$2,350,000.00 represents TANF
- 24 funding earmarked for community action agencies.
- 25 (2) In addition to the money referred to in subsection (1),
- 26 the department shall award up to \$500,000.00 to community action
- 27 agencies for education and outreach with the earned income tax

- 1 credit (EITC). Emphasis shall be on clients who have never filed
- 2 for the EITC, clients with children, and clients for whom receipt
- 3 of the EITC will make it easier for them to move off public
- 4 assistance.