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Mr. Speaker:

The Health and Human Services Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.B. 179**, PRIVATIZATION OF ADOPTION OF CHILDREN IN STATE CUSTODY, by Representative N. Stephens, with the following amendments:

| 1. | Page 2, Line 55: | Delete "may implement" and insert "shall expand the implementation of" and delete "an incremental" |
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| 2. | Page 2, Line 56-57: | Delete lines 56 and 57 and insert " <u>a statewide basis as state and federal</u> funds become available." |

Respectfully,

Carl R. Saunders Committee Chair

Voting: 7-4-2 3 HB0179.HC1 1/26/00 9:37 AM bbushman/MDA RCL/MDA