



Performance Note
HB0436S01 - Housing and
Homeless Reform Initiative
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Performance Note Report

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Agency: Department of Workforce Services

Funding For:

New Services or Benefit

Public Benefit:

Purpose: A. Oversee one-time funding investments to design, create, build or renovate homeless shelters or housing facilities for the homeless population. The SHCC Will review and approval proposals with the final approval of the appropriation committee. B. SHCC will evaluate proposals and award grants to agencies serving homeless or at risk of homelessness that will address one or more of the 11 goals listed in the bill.

Services: Targeted for those experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness. These services may include but are not limited to; outreach, diversion, emergency shelter, case management, rapid rehousing, additional housing or rental resources, connection to employment and benefits, intensive services for mental health or substance use, services specific to sub-populations such as youth, veterans, families and individuals with barriers to housing.

Expected Outcome: The expected outcome of the new program is to improve outcomes related to the 11 goals. Specific outcomes, depending on proposals submitted will revolve around: Successful Diversion rate from entering homelessness Reduced length of time homeless while maintaining or increasing positive housing outcomes. Reduction in returns to homelessness.

Implementations and Resources: DWS using similar methods as the Pamela Atkinson Homeless Trust Fund through the State Homeless Coordinating Committee. DWS will add an additional staff member to support this new funding source and the oversight of the program and grants.

How: The proposed goals will target homeless system improvement and potential new service delivery with the intent to divert from entering emergency shelter, when safe and appropriate, reduce length of time spent homeless, and reduce returns to homelessness while increasing positive housing outcomes. System improvement is expected to be a quicker response to deliver needed services through coordinated entry/intake with early assessments, targeted interventions and increased coordinated access to all needed services.