

28 **35A-8-602. Purposes of Homeless Coordinating Committee -- Uses of Pamela**
 29 **Atkinson Homeless Account.**

30 (1) As used in this section:

31 (a) "Council of governments" means the same as that term is defined in Section

32 17B-2a-802.

33 (b) "Emergency situation" means conditions exist that pose a risk to the health or safety
 34 of individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

35 [(+)] (2) The Homeless Coordinating Committee shall work to ensure that services
 36 provided to the homeless by state agencies, local governments, and private organizations are
 37 provided in a cost-effective and service efficient manner by:

38 (a) preparing and implementing a statewide strategic plan to minimize homelessness in
 39 the state that:

40 (i) outlines specific goals and measurable benchmarks for progress;

41 (ii) identifies gaps in service delivery to the variety of homeless populations;

42 (iii) provides recommendations to the governor and the Legislature on strategies,
 43 policies, procedures, and programs to address the needs of the homeless populations in the
 44 state; and

45 (iv) identifies best practices and recommends improvements in coordinating service
 46 delivery to the variety of homeless populations through the use of electronic databases and
 47 through data sharing among service providers;

48 (b) evaluating annually the progress made toward achieving the goals outlined in the
 49 plan described in Subsection [(+)] (2)(a); and

50 (c) designating local oversight bodies that are responsible to:

51 (i) develop a common agenda and vision for reducing homelessness in the local
 52 oversight bodies' respective region;

53 (ii) develop a spending plan that coordinates the funding supplied to local stakeholders;

54 (iii) monitor the progress toward achieving state and local goals; [~~and~~]

55 (iv) align local funding to projects that are improving outcomes and targeting specific
 56 needs in the community[:]; and

57 (v) develop a \$→ nonbinding ←\$ locally appropriate emergency response plan in
 57a coordination with the

58 council of governments of the county in which the local oversight body provides services that: