

Amend CSHB 5 (house committee printing) by adding the following appropriately numbered SECTION to the bill and renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

SECTION _____. The Department of Family and Protective Services, using funds appropriated for that purpose, shall collaborate with the Legislative Budget Board to:

(1) conduct a study to develop professional and other caseload standards and recommendations for minimum and maximum caseloads, for the purpose of improving case outcomes for each type of caseworker employed by the department, including but not limited to each type of employee of a single source continuum contractor providing case management services; and

(2) make recommendations based on the study to the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission, the commissioner of the Department of Family and Protective Services, the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives with jurisdiction over appropriation of state treasury funds to the department, and the standing committees of the senate and house of representatives having primary jurisdiction over the department not later than September 1, 2018.