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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 1 (house committee printing) in Article II
2 of the bill by adding the following appropriately numbered rider
3 following the appropriations to the Department of Family and
4 Protective Services (page II-3):

5 _____. Family First Prevention Services. (a) Out of federal
6 funds appropriated to the Department of Family and Protective
7 Services above, the department shall allocate the sum of
8 \$19,300,000 for the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1,
9 2023, for the following purposes:

10 (1) the provision of family preservation services
11 subject to the Family First Prevention Services Act (Title VII,
12 Div. E, Pub. L. No. 115-123), including services for foster youth
13 who are homeless;

14 (2) the provision of services and interventions for
15 children who are at imminent risk of being removed from their homes
16 and placed into the conservatorship of the department but for whom a
17 court of competent jurisdiction has issued an order allowing the
18 children to remain safely in their homes or in kinship placements
19 with the provision of family preservation services;

20 (3) the provision of services to pregnant women or
21 mothers with substance use disorders and their children, children
22 who are at imminent risk of being removed from their homes and
23 placed into the conservatorship of the department because their
24 parents refuse to accept parental responsibility and those
25 children's families, children who are at risk of being referred to
26 the department through the juvenile justice system and their
27 families, and children who have exited foster care through
28 adoption, reunification, or other permanency outcomes and their
29 families; and

1 (4) the transition of family preservation services to
2 evidence-based services consistent with the Family First
3 Prevention Services Act.

4 (b) Not later than March 31 and September 30 of each year of
5 the state fiscal biennium beginning September 1, 2023, the
6 Department of Family and Protective Services shall prepare and
7 submit a report to the governor, the Legislative Budget Board, the
8 House Committee on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Finance,
9 the House Committee on Human Services, the Senate Committee on
10 Health and Human Services, and any appropriate standing joint
11 legislative oversight committee regarding the department's
12 progress toward increasing the capacity of qualifying
13 community-based prevention and family preservation services. The
14 department shall:

15 (1) prepare the report in a format specified by the
16 Legislative Budget Board and include a full accounting of funds
17 expended under this section; and

18 (2) post the report on the department's Internet
19 website.