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Senate Bill 834

Sponsor: Senator John F. Kelly

Committee: Education and Mental Health

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SUMMARY OF SENATE BILL 834 as introduced 4-28-88:

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to require the Department of Public Health to create mobile health and instructional clinics and to use the Michigan Health Initiative Fund to pay for them. The clinics would have to serve the parents and children attending State early education and development academies (which would be created under Senate Bill 831).

The clinics would be required to provide a comprehensive range of medical services, radiological services, diagnostic tools, and screening, as well as instruction in preventive health care, hygiene, nutrition, prenatal care, neonatal care, well-baby, child rearing and infant care, and parenting skills. The clinics also would have to provide substance abuse and immunization services if they were not otherwise provided under the Code.

The clinics would have to be capable of being driven or moved between academy locations. The Department could contract with local health departments for the provision of the services under the bill.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 831.

Proposed MCL 333.5931 & 333.9127

Legislative Analyst: S. Margules

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have an indeterminate impact on State expenditures. Without information on the size, location, and unmet health care needs of the population to be served under the provisions of the bill, a cost estimate is not possible. There are currently no mobile health facilities of the type described in the bill in operation in the State. Therefore, cost and service capacities of such a system are not available.

Fiscal Analyst: P. Graham

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