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**"AT RISK" CHILDREN**

**House Bill 5039**

**Sponsor: Rep. Sharon Gire  
Committee: Human Services  
& Children**

**Complete to 2-17-94**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5039 AS INTRODUCED 9-22-93**

House Bill 5039 would create an act to require the Departments of Social Services, Mental Health, Public Health, and Education to develop a coordinated system for providing services to children "at risk." The departments could enter into interagency agreements to effectuate the system.

The bill would create a child welfare committee, consisting of the director of the Departments of Social Services, Mental Health, Public Health, and Education, or their designees. The committee would develop the policy and service delivery plans and programs that would be used in implementing a coordinated system for providing services to "at risk" children, and would accomplish the following:

- Establish a definition of "at risk" populations to be targeted by policies, plans, and programs developed under the act.
- Develop policies, service delivery plans, and programs to be used in the coordinated system.
- Develop a process for a joint evaluation and review by all four departments of policies, plans, and programs developed under the provisions of the bill.
- Develop an interagency agreement to provide oversight responsibility for education programs serving children in the mental health, child welfare, and delinquency systems.

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