

ELECTRONIC TRANSFERS OF FIA BENEFITS

House Bill 4848

Sponsor: Rep. Harold Voorhees

Committee: Human Services and

Children

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4848 AS INTRODUCED 5-28-97

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to require that the Family Independence Agency (FIA) distribute food stamps and payments for cash assistance benefits using an electronic transfer system. The FIA would have to report annually to the legislature on its use of the electronic transfer system. The report would have to include, at a minimum, the following information:

- The extent to which the FIA used the system during the preceding year.
- The cost-effectiveness of the system.
- The impact of the system, if any, on the incidence of fraud, and on fraud detection.

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