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HB4655 AS PASSED BY THE HOUSE

Sponsor: Rep. Mark Jansen

H-1

Committee: FAMILY AND CHILDREN
SERVICES

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State Fiscal Impact

Local Fiscal Impact

Cost: None
Revenues: None

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House Bill 4655 (H-1) establishes a new act to prescribe a priority of allocation of Department of Community Health (DCH) grants and contracts funding for family planning and/or reproductive health services. Under the bill, otherwise-qualified entities applying for a grant or contract that are not engaged in any of 4 abortion-related activities will receive priority in the allocation of funds.

The bill creates no new costs or savings. The bill will impact the distribution of \$15,590,000 of existing DCH grants and contracts funds in FY 2001-02 appropriated under the family planning and pregnancy prevention programs. 51% of the funds are state generated. The remaining funds are from federal block grants and the federal Title X Family Planning grant. Local public health departments and Planned Parenthood agencies have been the primary service providers for both of these programs, qualifying for both state and federal funds under the DCH programs. The allocation of funds to local agencies is currently based on the number of clients and services that local agencies expect to provide.

Federal policy requires Title X fund grantees to offer pregnant women the opportunity to be provided information and counseling regarding pregnancy termination and to provide referrals upon request. Although this is one of the 4 abortion-related activities listed in the bill, the H-1 substitute holds harmless from the priority formula grantees fulfilling this requirement for Title X funds.

In FY 2000-01 the planned distribution of family planning and pregnancy prevention funds through DCH included the following types of grantees:

	Federal Title X	Other Federal	State Funds	Total	
Local Health Departments	\$4,094,997		\$888,080	\$4,370,030	\$9,353,107
Hospitals/Medical Centers	\$64,168		\$16,767	\$66,548	\$147,483
Planned Parenthood	\$1,199,547		\$492,099	\$1,830,177	\$3,521,823
Other	\$253,363	\$870,654		\$1,708,045	\$2,832,062
Total	\$5,612,075	\$2,267,600	\$7,974,800	\$15,854,475	