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H.B. 6017 (S-1): FLOOR ANALYSIS

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House Bill 6017 (Substitute S-1 as reported)

Sponsor: Representative Jason Allen

House Committee: Family and Children Services

Senate Committee: Families, Mental Health and Human Services

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to establish an Office of Inspector General as a criminal justice agency in the Family Independence Agency (FIA). The inspector general's primary duty would be to investigate cases of alleged fraud within the FIA. The inspector general would have to do the following:

- -- Investigate fraud, waste, and abuse in the programs administered by the FIA.
- -- Make referrals for prosecution and disposition of appropriate cases.
- -- Review administrative policies, practices, and procedures.
- -- Make recommendations to improve program integrity and accountability.

Proposed MCL 400.43b

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local units of government. The bill would codify what is already in place at the Family Independence Agency, according to the opinion of the Auditor General in the January 2001 "Performance Audit of the Office of Inspector General and Related Complaint Referral and Disposition Processes".

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