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Amend Senate File 2425 as follows: 2 <u>#1.</u> Page 45, by striking lines 18 through 32 and 1 1 3 inserting the following: <Sec. ____. POSITIVE ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM.
1. The department of human services shall</pre> 1 1 5 1 6 establish a positive alternatives program to provide 7 core services consisting of information, education, 1 1 8 counseling, and support services to women who 9 experience unplanned pregnancies by promoting 1 10 childbirth over abortion, assisting pregnant women in 11 remaining healthy and maintaining a healthy pregnancy 1 1 12 while deciding whether to keep the child or place the 13 child for adoption, and assisting the woman after the 14 birth of the child. The services provided may include 1 1 1 1 15 but are not limited to: counseling and mentoring; 16 pregnancy, childbirth, parenting, and abstinence 17 classes; fostering of a statewide pregnancy and 1 1 1 18 parenting support system; assistance with physical and 1 19 mental well=being of a woman during pregnancy and 1 20 post=delivery; assistance with the physical well=being 21 of the fetus and newborn; assistance with food, 1 1 22 shelter, clothing, health care, childcare, and 23 employment; and other supportive programs and 24 services. The department shall award grants to 1 1 1 25 service providers that do not provide abortions and 26 have been in existence for at least one year prior to 27 the awarding of the grant and that are experienced and 1 1 28 qualified in providing core pregnancy support services 1 1 29 that promote childbirth over abortion and parenting 30 support services, including but not limited to 31 pregnancy support organizations, maternity homes, 1 1 1 32 social service agencies, and adoption agencies. 33 2. There is appropriated from the general fund of 34 the state to the department of human services for the 1 1 1 35 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and ending June 36 30, 2009, the following amount, or so much thereof as 37 is necessary, to be used for the purpose designated: 1 1 For the positive alternatives program in accordance 1 38 1 39 with this section: 40\$ 41 Priority in the awarding of grants shall be given 42 to programs that serve areas of the state which 1 750,000 1 1 43 demonstrate the highest percentage of unplanned 1 44 pregnancies of females of childbearing age within the 1 1 45 geographic area to be served by the grant.> 1 46 1 47 1 48 1 49 DAVID JOHNSON 1 50 SF 2425.701 82 2 1 pf/ml/12

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