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A BILL FOR

1 An Act establishing a juvenile intensive services pilot project  
2 in the department of human services and making an  
3 appropriation.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. JUVENILE INTENSIVE SERVICES PILOT PROJECT.

2 There is appropriated from the general fund of the state to  
3 the department of human services for the fiscal year beginning  
4 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000, the following amount,  
5 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purpose  
6 designated:

7 For establishing a juvenile intensive services program as a  
8 pilot project in accordance with this section:

9 ..... \$ 200,000

10 1. A juvenile intensive services program shall be  
11 established as a pilot project in one urban and one rural  
12 county. The program shall provide intensive transition  
13 services to older children who were adjudicated as delinquent  
14 or as a child in need of assistance and have returned home  
15 from placement in a residential program outside of the  
16 children's homes. The purpose of the intensive transition  
17 services is to prevent the need for a subsequent placement of  
18 the children in the state training school.

19 2. The program shall provide community-based support and  
20 contact with the children involved until the children become  
21 eighteen years of age. Staffing ratios should not exceed five  
22 children for one staff person.

23 3. Services shall include but are not limited to casework  
24 and counseling, substance abuse counseling and education,  
25 academic skills development, employment readiness training,  
26 intensive tracking and monitoring, and other individualized  
27 services.

28 4. The program shall provide for three levels of support  
29 and contact based upon the educational setting appropriate for  
30 each child as follows:

31 a. A site-based educational setting with provision of  
32 individualized educational services and support for behavioral  
33 problems.

34 b. A regular school setting with an individually assigned  
35 worker.

1 c. A graduate equivalency diploma testing preparation  
2 program while the child is employed, with job training  
3 assistance provided.

4 5. The department shall submit to the governor and general  
5 assembly a progress report concerning the program on or before  
6 December 20, 1999, and a final report in October 2000.

7 EXPLANATION

8 This bill provides an appropriation and directs the  
9 department of human services to establish a pilot program to  
10 provide intensive transition services to juveniles returning  
11 home from an out-of-home residential placement. The program  
12 is to be established in an urban and a rural county. The  
13 purpose of the program is to prevent the need for a subsequent  
14 placement in the state training school. Various services are  
15 required to be included and the program is to use three  
16 levels, depending on the educational setting appropriate for  
17 the child. The department is to submit a progress report and  
18 a final report.

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