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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to domestic abuse and sexual assault victim
2 services, including establishment of a legislative study
3 committee and providing an appropriation.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTERIM STUDY COMMITTEE — DOMESTIC
2 ABUSE AND SEXUAL ASSAULT SERVICES DELIVERY SYSTEM. The
3 legislative council is requested to establish a domestic abuse
4 and sexual assault services delivery system interim study
5 committee. The study committee shall review and provide
6 recommendations relating to the availability, effectiveness,
7 and coordination of programs that provide services and support
8 to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault including
9 but not limited to shelter-based services, and health care,
10 counseling, and legal services. The committee shall issue
11 its findings and recommendations in a report to the general
12 assembly by January 10, 2014.

13 Sec. 2. APPROPRIATION — DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. There
14 is appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
15 department of justice for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
16 2013, and ending June 30, 2014, the following amount, or so
17 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the award of funds
18 to programs that provide services and support to victims of
19 domestic abuse and sexual assault:

20 \$ 2,000,000

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill requests the legislative council to establish
23 a domestic abuse and sexual assault service delivery system
24 interim study committee and provides an appropriation.

25 Under the bill, the domestic abuse and sexual assault
26 service delivery system interim study committee, if
27 established, shall review and provide recommendations relating
28 to the availability, effectiveness, and coordination of
29 programs that provide services and support to victims of
30 domestic abuse and sexual assault including but not limited
31 to shelter-based services, and health care, counseling, and
32 legal services. The committee shall issue its findings and
33 recommendations in a report to the general assembly by January
34 10, 2014.

35 The bill appropriates \$2 million from the general fund of the

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2 used for the award of funds to programs that provide services
3 and support to victims of domestic abuse and sexual assault.