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TO:

The Honorable John M. Mizuno, Chair House Committee on Human Services

The Honorable Tom Bower, Vice Chair House Committee on Human Services

FROM:

Martha T. Torney, Executive Director

SUBJECT: SB 809, RELATING TO CHILDREN

Hearing:

Monday, March 16, 2009, 8:00 a.m.

State Capitol, Conference Room 329

The Office of Youth Service (OYS) does not support SB 809 relating to the establishment of a task force to coordinate resources to benefit children who are homeless. The OYS appreciates the intent of this measure; however, given current fiscal difficulties, it would not be prudent to pursue enactment at this time.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.