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RE: Support for HB1883, Relating To Human Services Contracts

This is a wise initiative that will provide a picture of exactly how contract funds reach their intended service target populations, who is served by them and in what manner. Whenever an economic crisis hits human services is typically the first area to receive funding cuts while paradoxically, the economic crisis drives the need for such services up. In order to assess how great the need for such services are, determining the extent of the problem is the first step so such an analysis is a very prudent measure, especially in such tough economic times.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Respectfully,

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