SENATE AMENDMENT 24, TO 1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 21

April 4, 1995 - Offered by Senator Moore.

At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

1. Page 4, line 10: before that line insert:

"Section 2m. 46.03 (38) of the statutes is amended to read:

46.03 (38) Welfare reform studies. Request proposals from persons in this state for studies of the effectiveness of various program changes, referred to as welfare reform, to the aid to families with dependent children program and the medical assistance program, including the requirement that certain recipients of aid to families with dependent children with children under age 6 participate in training programs, the requirement under s. 49.50 (7) (g) that certain teenage recipients of aid to families with dependent children remain in school, the modification of the earned income disregard under s. 49.19 (5) (am) and the extension of medical assistance benefits under ss. 49.46 (1) (co) and 49.47 (4) (am). The studies shall evaluate the effectiveness of the various efforts, including their cost-effectiveness, in helping individuals gain independence through the securing of jobs, the availability of health insurance coverage and providing financial incentives and in identifying barriers to independence. The department may not expend any funds

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appropriated under s. 20.435 (4) (br) to evaluate the waivers under s. 49.19 (11s) or 49.193 (3m) or (9m) unless the department has submitted a proposal for the evaluation, including the name of the evaluator, to the joint committee on finance for approval, modification or disapproval. Joint committee on finance approval of the proposal will be considered to be given if, within 14 calendar days after the department files the proposal with the joint committee on finance, the committee has not scheduled a public hearing or executive session to review the proposal."

8 (END)