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Amendment Form

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Subtitle of Senate Bill No. 267

"AN ACT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES - DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES SERVICES APPROPRIATION FOR THE 2005-2007 BIENNIUM."

Amendment No. 3 to Senate Bill No. 267.

Amend Senate Bill No. 267 as engrossed, S3/9/05 (version: 03-09-2005 15:30):

Page 11, delete lines 22 through 36 in their entirety and substitute the following:

11 In the event that components of community-based services now funded from state and/or federal funds are extended to unserved or underserved areas of the state, or in the event that new services categories/codes are made available, to be funded from state and/or federal funds all non-profit community programs licensed by the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services shall be granted an opportunity to make application to expand their service base to unserved or underserved areas or shall be granted an opportunity to make application to offer new services that the State intends to offer. When the Division of Developmental Disabilities Services determines that state and/or federal funding for new or expanded services are to be available, it shall develop a Request for Proposal (RFP) process which includes a provision to provide written notice by certified mail of its intent to existing licensed providers who are already providing services. and to the general public. If no existing licensed providers respond in writing to Division of Developmental Disabilities Services within thirty days that they will provide the new or expanded services, Division of Developmental Disabilities Services shall provide notice to the general public that a new entity will be allowed to develop services and obtain licensure to provide the new or expanded services. Nothing in this Act shall restrict the Division's discretion to award new or expanded services to the existing community based service licensed providers making application for the same pursuant to this section." And

Page 12 delete lines 1 and 2 in their entirety and substitute the following: "The intent of this section is to avoid unnecessary duplication of administrative costs and services in the extension or expansion of services."



The Amendment was read the first time, rules suspended and read the second time and _____