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Senate Bill 448 (Senator Kasemever)

Finance

Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission

This bill extends the termination date of the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission (CSRRC) from September 30, 1999 to September 30, 2002.

Fiscal Summary

State Effect: State expenditures for the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission would continue in FY 2000 as discussed below.

Local Effect: None.

Small Business Effect: None.

Fiscal Analysis

Bill Summary: The bill alters the factors that CSRRC must assess regarding rate setting for community services providers, changes the date by which the commission's annual report is to be submitted each year from July 1 to October 1, and alters the content of the annual report. It provides that CSRRC is to have timely access to information from the executive branch. CSRRC must include findings regarding the extent and amount of uncompensated care delivered by providers in its final report due by October 1, 2002. The bill prohibits a commission member from serving more than two consecutive terms, repeals a provision prohibiting more than three initial members from serving a second term, and increases the minimum number of meetings from two to four times a year.

State Expenditures: State expenditures will be maintained because the bill proposes to continue the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission. The proposed fiscal

2000 budget includes \$156,200 in general funds for the commission. Out-year expenditures are expected to remain relatively constant.

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