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Overview

This bill appropriates money for the Homeless Youth Act, which gives the commissioner of human services the authority to award grants to providers who are committed to serving homeless youth and youth at risk of homelessness, to provide street and community outreach and drop-in programs, emergency shelter programs, and integrated supportive housing and transitional living programs to reduce the incidence of homelessness among youth.

“Homeless youth” is defined as a person 24 years of age or younger who is unaccompanied by a parent or guardian and is without shelter where appropriate care and supervision are available, whose parent or legal guardian is unable or unwilling to provide shelter and care, or who lacks a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

Section

- 1** **Appropriation.** Appropriates \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2017 from the general fund to the commissioner of human services for purposes of the Homeless Youth Act. Adds this appropriation to the base.