

SECTION 2. SERVICES FOR PREGNANT MINORS - LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY.

During the 2009-10 interim, the legislative council shall consider studying existing services for minors who are pregnant and whether additional education and social services would enhance the potential for a healthy child and a positive outcome for the minor. The study must consider the potential benefits of support services for parents of these minors and guardianship for the minor for cases in which parental abuse or neglect may be an issue. The study must also consider the benefits to the minor of subsidies for open adoptions and supportive housing and child care for single parents enrolled in secondary and postsecondary educational institutions. The study must also determine the most desirable evidence-based service delivery system and the amount and sources of adequate funding. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-second legislative assembly.