

Testimony Prepared for the  
**Senate Human Services Committee**  
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**RE: Engrossed House Bill 1046**

Thank you for the opportunity to communicate our Association's support for Engrossed House Bill 1046, and state our agreement with what counties feel were enhancements to the legislation in the House. As you have heard, the redesign of the local delivery of human services has been positive, but challenging; as the legislature, the department, and the counties have worked to improve a complex system that has really been evolving since statehood.

Because of this complexity, there has been a need for the minor corrections and clarifications of HB1046. As it comes to you, county officials urge a Do Pass recommendation.