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Committee on Rules)

AN ACT

APPROPRIATING MONIES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)

1 Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

2 Section 1. Appropriations; department of health services;
3 family health pilot program

4 A. The sum of \$2,500,000 is appropriated from the state general
5 fund in each of fiscal years 2019-2020, 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 to the
6 department of health services for a family health pilot program.

7 B. The department of health services shall distribute the monies
8 appropriated in each fiscal year pursuant to subsection A of this section
9 for the family health pilot program to a nonprofit organization to
10 implement a statewide system to provide direct services, support services,
11 social services case management and referrals to the biological or
12 adoptive parents of children under two years of age, including unborn
13 children. The purpose of the statewide system is to encourage healthy
14 childbirth, support childbirth as an alternative to abortion, promote
15 family formation, aid successful parenting and increase families' economic
16 self-sufficiency. The statewide system services must be available to all
17 residents of this state in both urban and rural areas. Monies may not be
18 used for abortion referral services or distributed to entities that
19 promote, refer or perform abortions. The nonprofit organization that
20 receives the monies must demonstrate both of the following:

- 21 1. Experience in marketing and serving the eligible patient
22 population.
- 23 2. That the organization can begin serving clients statewide within
24 sixty days after receiving monies pursuant to this section.