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Representative(s) Byrd and Goodlette offered the following:

Substitute Amendment for Amendment (093591) (with title amendment)

On page 5, between lines 18 & 19, of the bill

insert:

Section 12. There is appropriated \$2,000,000 to the Department of Community Affairs to contract with a not-for-profit organization that provides statewide funding for civil legal assistance to the poor. The department shall retain \$100,000, and the organization shall receive \$80,000, for administrative costs. The remaining funds shall be used by the organization for civil legal assistance pilot projects in the following judicial circuits:

<u>Fourth</u>	<u>\$240,000</u>
<u>Ninth</u>	<u>\$240,000</u>
<u>Eleventh</u>	<u>\$600,000</u>
<u>Twelfth</u>	<u>\$140,000</u>
<u>Thirteenth</u>	<u>\$280,000</u>
<u>Fourteenth</u>	<u>\$120,000</u>

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1 Twentieth \$200,000

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3 The funds shall only be used for legal education or assistance

4 in family law, juvenile law, entitlement to federal benefits,

5 protection from domestic violence, elder abuse, child abuse,

6 or immigration law. These funds shall not be used in criminal

7 or post-conviction relief matters, for lobbying activities, to

8 sue the state, its agencies or political sub-divisions, or

9 colleges or universities, for class action lawsuits, to

10 provide legal assistance with respect to noncriminal

11 infractions pursuant to chapter 316, chapter 318, chapter 320,

12 or chapter 322, to contest regulatory decisions of any

13 municipal, county, or state administrative or legislative

14 body, or to file or assist in the filing of private causes of

15 action under federal or state statutes relating to or arising

16 out of employment or terms or conditions of employment. The

17 contracting organization shall require pilot projects to

18 provide data on the number of clients served, the types of

19 cases, the reasons the cases were closed, and the state

20 dollars saved and federal dollars brought into the state

21 because of the legal services provided. The contracting

22 organization shall provide to the Department of Community

23 Affairs, within sixty (60) days of the completion of the

24 contract, a report on the legal services provided, the state

25 dollars saved, and the federal dollars brought into the state.

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29 And the title is amended as follows:

30 On page 1, line 16, of the amendment after the
31 semicolon

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2 providing an appropriation; providing for the
3 distribution of the appropriation;
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