Bill Summary

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Bill Analysis

SB 2039 creates the Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services Revolving Fund within the Office of the Attorney General. The Attorney General shall expend monies from the fund in order to provide statewide access to a stable system of delivery of services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, promote a coordinated community approach to serving victims of domestic violence and sexual assault, and provide access to services through dedicated support of underserved population programs. Any entity receiving monies from the fund must have full certification as a domestic violence and sexual assault victim service agency, be a nonprofit, and be subject to an annual audit. Additionally, such entities must not have received administrative sanctions.

The first 5% of monies from the fund shall go to qualified entities serving underserved populations. Additionally, \$200,000.00 shall be provided to each qualified entity operating a shelter program and \$150,000.00 shall be provided to each qualified entity operating a crisis intervention center. Grants shall be proportionally reduced if grants awarded exceed the monies in the fund. The measure splits the fund into 2 accounts. One account shall receive 30% of the monies in the fund. The remainder shall be deposited in the other account. Monies in 30% account shall be expended in counties with a population of 600,000 or greater. Monies from the other account shall be expended in counties with a population of less than 600,000.

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