

HOUSE BILL NO. 7

(First Special Session)

INTRODUCED BY WALDRON, FABREGA

**BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES**

IN THE HOUSE

November 16, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.
November 18, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted. Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
November 19, 1981	Second reading, passed. Ayes, 97; Noes, 1. Considered correctly engrossed. On motion rules suspended and bill placed on third reading this day. Third reading, passed. Ayes, 97; Noes, 2. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

November 19, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.
November 21, 1981	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.

November 23, 1981

Second reading, concurred in.

On motion rules suspended. Bill placed on calendar for third reading this day.

Third reading, concurred in.

IN THE HOUSE

November 23, 1981

Returned from Senate. Concurred in. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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4 better--for--the--recipient--and--his--family-to-receive-the
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Approved by Comm.
on Local Government

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