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**H 336. FUNDS FOR INTERPRETER SERVICES.** Filed 2/21/07. *TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO HIRE QUALIFIED INTERPRETERS BASED IN LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL PUBLIC HEALTH LAWS.* Appropriates \$5 million for 2007-08 and \$5 million for 2008-09 from the General Fund to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, to hire interpreters based in local health departments to ensure compliance with federal laws requiring federally funded agencies to provide language services. Funds may also be used by local health departments for incentives to recruit and hire bilingual staff and to train interpreters. Effective July 1, 2007.

**Intro. by Wright.**

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