

**Bill History**  
**Session Year 2026**  
**Raised H.B. No. 5487**

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**Introducer(s):**

Human Services Committee

**Title:** AN ACT ESTABLISHING A CAREER PIPELINE PROGRAM FOR AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETING AND INCREASING STATE ASSISTANCE FOR PERSONS WHO ARE BLIND OR VISUALLY IMPAIRED AND DEAF.

**Statement of Purpose:** To establish an American Sign Language career pipeline program and increase annual amounts spent on specialized services for persons who are blind or visually impaired and deaf.

**Bill History:**

03-05-2026 REFERRED TO JOINT COMMITTEE ON Human Services Committee

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**Co-sponsor(s):**

Sen. Saud Anwar, 3rd Dist. Sen. Martha Marx, 20th Dist.