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**Fiscal Note**

**Bill Version:** FCCS SB 241  
**Fiscal Note Number:** 30  
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**Identifier:** SB241CCSCSCS(CC)-DHSS-PAFS-3-28-2020  
**Title:** EXTENDING COVID 19 DISASTER EMERGENCY  
**Sponsor:** RLS BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR  
**Requester:** Conference Committee  
**Department:** Department of Health and Social Services  
**Allocation:** Public Assistance Field Services  
**OMB Component Number:** 236

**Expenditures/Revenues**

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below. (Thousands of Dollars)

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<th>OPERATING EXPENDITURES</th>
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**Fund Source (Operating Only)**

| None | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

**Positions**

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<th>Full-time</th>
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**Change in Revenues**

| None | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

**Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2020) cost:** 0.0  
**Estimated CAPITAL (FY2021) cost:** 0.0

**Does the bill create or modify a new fund or account?**  No

**ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS**

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency?  No

If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?  N/A

**Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:**

Not applicable. Initial version.

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This bill extends until November 15, 2020 the public health emergency the Governor declared on March 11, 2020 related to the COVID-19 pandemic health response and economic stabilization. The bill is effective immediately and retroactive to April 10, 2020.

This bill will exclude the Permanent Fund Dividend from being counted toward eligibility for medical assistance programs and the general relief assistance program during the COVID-19 emergency declaration and for 30 days after. This is to the extent consistent with federal law.

It will allow general relief assistance program recipients to receive the same amount as the individual would have received under other public assistance programs as if there has been no Permanent Fund Dividend.

The Public Assistance Field Services Component would process the eligibility for all of the impacted Public Assistance programs.

If a Permanent Fund Dividend is issued, the Department of Health and Social Services will need additional funding authority in the Hold Harmless appropriation.