

Fiscal Note

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Title: PLACEMENT OF A CHILD IN NEED OF AID
Sponsor: GARA, THOMPSON
Requester: House Health & Social Services

Department: Department of Health and Social Services
Appropriation: Children's Services
Allocation: Front Line Social Workers
OMB Component Number: 2305

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.

(Thousands of Dollars)

	FY2014 Appropriation Requested	Included in Governor's FY2014 Request	Out-Year Cost Estimates				
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2014	FY 2014	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Personal Services							
Travel							
Services							
Commodities							
Capital Outlay							
Grants & Benefits							
Miscellaneous							
Total Operating	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Fund Source (Operating Only)

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

Change in Revenues							
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Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2013) cost: 0.0

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2014) cost: 0.0

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If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version:

Not applicable. Initial version.

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Analysis

This bill has no fiscal impact on the Office of Children's Services.

Section 1 requires the Office of Children's Services, within 30 days after removing a child, to exercise due diligence to identify, locate and notify noncustodial parents, adult family members and appropriate adult family friends of the removal. If circumstances prevent the department from completing due diligence, the department shall complete the search as soon as possible.

OCS already adheres to most of these notification requirements. Federal 42 U.S.C 671(a)(29) requires OCS to notify noncustodial parents and adult family members of the right to request placement. OCS policy requires notifying all identified relatives. The requirement to also notice "appropriate adult family friends" is a new mandate; however it is not new practice for OCS. "Adult family friends" have been considered for possible placement of a child since 2005.

HB 54 also requires an OCS supervisor to certify in writing that due diligence has been exercised. This requirement to verify what is currently being done verbally is new.

Section 2 adds the due diligence required under Section 1 and specifies that a family friend considered for placement must be an adult. This section would not have an impact on current practice.

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