Fiscal Note

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Identifier: HB133-DHSS-PS-4-19-2019 Department: Department of Health and Social Services

Title: JUVENILES: JUSTICE, FACILITES, TREATMENT Appropriation: Juvenile Justice

Sponsor: SPOHNHOLZ Allocation: Probation Services

Requester: (H) HSS OMB Component Number: 2134

Expenditures/Revenues

Note: Amounts do not include inflation unless otherwise noted below.				(Thousands of Dollars)			
		Included in					
	FY2020	Governor's					
	Appropriation	FY2020		Out-Ye	ear Cost Estima	ates	
	Requested	Request					
OPERATING EXPENDITURES	FY 2020	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024	FY 2025
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							1
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Positions

Full-time				
Part-time				
Temporary				

Change in Revenues

None							
Total	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Estimated SUPPLEMENTAL (FY2019) cost: 0.0 (separate supplemental appropriation required)

Estimated CAPITAL (FY2020) cost: 0.0 (separate capital appropriation required)

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

(Supplemental/Capital/New Fund - discuss reasons and fund source(s) in analysis section)

ASSOCIATED REGULATIONS

Does the bill direct, or will the bill result in, regulation changes adopted by your agency? Yes

If yes, by what date are the regulations to be adopted, amended or repealed?

09/15/20

Why this fiscal note differs from previous version/comments:

Not applicable, initial version based on the Governor's Februrary 13, 2019 amended budget request.

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FISCAL NOTE ANALYSIS

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Analysis

This bill makes necessary updates to the terms used to describe the Division of Juvenile Justice facilities and staff. Correcting these terms will greatly improve understanding by legislators, departmental staff, the public, and others about when particular statutes apply to the adult versus juvenile justice system. The bill improves the department's ability to develop regulations and policies based on the work of these staff and in these facilities. The bill also improves lawmakers' ability to introduce legislation that clearly includes juvenile justice staff and facilities.

The bill clarifies that Division of Juvenile Justice facility staff and probation officers can hold positions of authority and serve as legal guardians of minors for the purposes of addressing crimes of sexual assault and sexual abuse of a minor. This clarification is necessary due to a court decision that found that Division of Juvenile Justice facility staff are not currently included in the position of authority definition found in AS 11.41.470(5).

The bill makes Division of Juvenile Justice staff among the persons who are required to report child abuse and neglect. Current mandatory reporters include practitioners of the healing arts, school teachers, officers of the Department of Corrections, and others. Juvenile justice staff are not included in this list even though youth frequently disclose abuse to these staff and staff, in turn, make reports to the Office of Children's Services. The Division of Juvenile Justice facility and probation staff make an average of 80 protective services reports to Office of Children's Services per year.

The department will update the regulations addressing the management of juvenile facilities found at 7 AAC 52 as per section 41 and 42 of the bill. The department expects to implement the regulation changes 120 days following the effective date of section 41.

The bill is not ex	pected to have a pr	ogrammatic or fiscal in	mpact on the department.

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