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 Component Public Assistance Field Services
 Sponsor Davis
 Requester Senate HSS Component Number 236

Expenditures/Revenues (Thousands of Dollars)

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

	Appropriation Required	Information						
		FY 2010	FY 2010	FY 2011	FY 2012	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
OPERATING EXPENDITURES								
Personal Services	134.4			134.4	134.4	134.4	134.4	134.4
Travel								
Contractual	17.6			17.6	17.6	17.6	17.6	17.6
Supplies	1.0			1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Equipment	14.4							
Land & Structures								
Grants & Claims								
Miscellaneous								
TOTAL OPERATING	167.4	0.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	153.0

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES								
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CHANGE IN REVENUES (
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FUND SOURCE (Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts	108.8	0.0	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5	99.5
1003 GF Match	58.6	0.0	53.5	53.5	53.5	53.5	53.5
1004 GF							
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	167.4	0.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	153.0	153.0

Estimate of any current year (FY2009) cost: 0.0

POSITIONS

Full-time	2.0		2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

This legislation increases the income level for covering children and pregnant women under Denali KidCare to 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, up from 175%. It restores eligibility levels to the levels used when the Denali KidCare(DKC) program was originally created.

This fiscal note represents the additional administrative costs needed to support the increased eligibility determination workload resulting from more pregnant women and children applying for medical assistance, using the assumptions from the companion fiscal notes for the Division of Health Care Services and the Division of Behavioral Health.

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

The eligibility decision includes verifying information and determining whether a pregnant woman or child qualifies for DKC when they apply, acting on changes, and periodically re-examining a household's eligibility.

We assume that 218 pregnant women and 1,277 children will enroll in Medicaid if the qualifying income limit is revised to 200% FPG, and that implementation will begin July 1, 2009. We estimate two additional Eligibility Technician I (Range 13) positions will be needed to manage this additional work in FY2010.

Total Administrative Costs for ET I Positions:

Personal Services: Two Eligibility Technician I Range 13 at a cost of \$134.4, including benefits, for 12 months.

Contractual: Annual cost for office space, phones, etc. will be \$17.6.

Commodities: Annual cost for the office supplies will be \$1.0.

Additional Cost of FY2010:

Equipment/Supply: A one time cost of \$14.4 for desktop computer, software, printer, and work stations will be needed for the new positions.