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 Title: Foster Care/CINA/Education of Homeless RDU: Children's Services
 Component: Family Preservation
 Sponsor: Davis
 Requester: Senate EDC Component Number: 1628

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							
Travel							
Contractual							
Supplies							
Equipment							
Land & Structures							
Grants & Claims	1,971.4		953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9
Miscellaneous							
TOTAL OPERATING	1,971.4	0.0	953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9

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

1002 Federal Receipts			119.2	158.3	158.3	158.3	158.3
1003 GF Match			834.7	795.6	795.6	795.6	795.6
1004 GF	1,971.4						
1005 GF/Program Receipts							
1037 GF/Mental Health							
Other Interagency Receipts							
TOTAL	1,971.4	0.0	953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9	953.9

Estimate of any current year (FY2009) cost: _____

POSITIONS

Full-time							
Part-time							
Temporary							

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

The intent of SB 105 is to address the educational, medical, financial, and housing challenges that face youth as they transition out of foster care and to support those care providers that are willing to help them during that period of transition.

Sec. 14 amends AS 47.18 by adding a new section which will allow a monetary stipend, equal to the applicable foster care reimbursement rate, to individuals who are leaving foster care for a 1 year period only.

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ANALYSIS CONTINUATION

Assumptions applied to this fiscal note:

The monetary stipends will be made available to children leaving out of home care, who are age 18 through 20, and does not need to be requested immediately upon leaving care;

70% of the 220 children currently participating in the Independent Living Program (IL) will become eligible for monetary stipends in FY2010 (ages 18, 19, and 20) – equating to about 155 FTEs (full time equivalents), resulting in higher program costs the first year the stipends are available. FTEs help provide a more stable count as it is assumed that recipients will migrate on and off the program and not all will receive a full year’s stipends;

After the first year of stipends, it is assumed that about 1/3 of the IL population will be eligible for and request monetary stipends annually equaling 75 FTEs, and that number will remain somewhat static;

Calculations are based on 360 days at an average base foster care base rate of \$35.33 a day: $\$35.33 \times 30 = \$1,060$ a month.

Currently, federal reimbursement for the extension of the IL program is not available. However, the Adoption and Guardianship Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 includes the option to extend the assistance age through 20 under certain conditions. This fiscal note assumes those conditions will be established in regulation and when met, IV-E reimbursement will apply. This option is available October 1, 2010, therefore is available for the final three quarters of state fiscal year 2011.

	FTEs	Cost Per Month	Total Cost	Estimated FFP	GF
SFY 2010	155	\$1,060	\$1,971,414	\$0	\$1,971,414
SFY2011	75	\$1,060	\$953,910	\$119,207	\$834,703
SFY2012	75	\$1,060	\$953,910	\$158,273	\$795,637
SFY2013	75	\$1,060	\$953,910	\$158,273	\$795,637
SFY2014	75	\$1,060	\$953,910	\$158,273	\$795,637
SFY2015	75	\$1,060	\$953,910	\$158,273	\$795,637