

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 584** HLS 26RS 887

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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| <b>Date:</b> April 9, 2026                                           | 10:55 AM | <b>Author:</b> BOYD        |
| <b>Dept./Agy.:</b> Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) |          | <b>Analyst:</b> John McKay |
| <b>Subject:</b> Proper Luggage Provided to Foster Youth (Ages 0-18)  |          |                            |

CHILDREN/FOSTER CARE

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Provides relative to children in foster care

Proposed legislation provides foster children with proper luggage (i.e., backpacks, boxes, duffel bags, or suitcases that are durable, reusable, new, or in like-new condition) to move between foster homes for youth ages 0 through 18 in foster care. Proposed law renames the Foster Youth's Bill of Rights to the Privileges of Foster Youth. Proposed legislation strictly prohibits the use of garbage bags. Proposed law provides that local social services districts are responsible for providing proper luggage and shall host luggage donation drives every two years (biennial) with the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). Proposed legislation provides that the host family is responsible for ensuring that the luggage goes with the child.

| EXPENDITURES        | 2026-27         | 2027-28         | 2028-29         | 2029-30         | 2030-31         | 5 -YEAR TOTAL   |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| State Gen. Fd.      | \$7,788         | \$7,944         | \$8,103         | \$8,265         | \$8,430         | \$40,530        |
| Agy. Self-Gen.      | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             |
| Ded./Other          | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             |
| Federal Funds       | \$3,337         | \$3,404         | \$3,472         | \$3,541         | \$3,612         | \$17,366        |
| Local Funds         | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             |
| <b>Annual Total</b> | <b>\$11,125</b> | <b>\$11,348</b> | <b>\$11,575</b> | <b>\$11,806</b> | <b>\$12,042</b> | <b>\$57,896</b> |
| REVENUES            | 2026-27         | 2027-28         | 2028-29         | 2029-30         | 2030-31         | 5 -YEAR TOTAL   |
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| Federal Funds       | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             |
| Local Funds         | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             | \$0             |
| <b>Annual Total</b> | <b>\$0</b>      | <b>\$0</b>      | <b>\$0</b>      | <b>\$0</b>      | <b>\$0</b>      | <b>\$0</b>      |

**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The proposed law will increase expenditures by \$11,125 (\$7,788 SGF and \$3,337 Federal) in the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to provide new or like-new luggage for foster youth between 0 and 18 years old when they move between foster homes. Based on the prior three fiscal years, an average of 2,225 youth between 0 and 18 years old had placement changes that would require luggage under this measure. DCFS estimates a cost of \$5 per reusable bag, totaling an annual cost of \$11,125 (2,225 youth x \$5). A 2% general inflation factor is reflected in subsequent fiscal years.

To the extent the department host biennial luggage donation drives to collect luggage for distribution to foster children, associated costs may be mitigated; however, any resulting savings are speculative.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate

Dual Referral Rules

House

13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S & H}

6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}

13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S & H}

6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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