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Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **SB 222** SLS 13RS 227

Bill Text Version: **REENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: New Licensing Type for Early Childhood Learning Centers	

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Provides for licensure procedures for early childhood learning centers. (1/1/14)

In present law, the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) licenses child-placing agencies, community homes, day care centers, group homes, maternity homes, and residential homes as Class A or Class B. Proposed law amends present law to change licensing type from Class A or Class B to Type I, Type II, Type III, and Type IV. Proposed law defines early childhood learning center, camp, child day care center and specialized provider. New licensing types under proposed law: Type I - child day care center or residential home owned or operated by a church or religious organization; (2) Type II - privately owned child day care center that does not receive state or federal funds (exception for the federal food and nutrition program); (3) Type III - publicly or privately owned early childhood learning center; and (4) Type IV - publicly or privately owned child-placing agency, maternity home, or residential home. Proposed law requires DCFS to create an early childhood learning working group to seek input on developing rules and regulations. Proposed law requires Type III licenses to adhere to Early Childhood Care and Education Network standards determined by BESE. Proposed law effective 1/1/2014.

EXPENDITURES	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

This proposed legislation replaces the Class A and Class B licenses within the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) with four new licensing types: Type I, Type II, Type III, and Type IV. DCFS will be required to issue new licenses to approximately 2,000 child-placing agencies, community homes, child day care centers, group homes, maternity homes, and residential homes by January 1, 2014. DCFS has indicated the proposed law will costs \$22,432 as a result of 20 licensing staff visiting 2,000 facilities yearly (43,984 miles x \$.51 cents per mile). The Legislative Fiscal Office anticipates workload associated with this legislation can be accomplished during annual licensing inspection visits performed by DCFS utilizing existing resources and budget authority. This proposed law does not change existing fees and continues the exemption of Type I licenses (church or religious organizations) from fees.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

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| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S} | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S} | |


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