

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE
Fiscal Note



Fiscal Note On: **HB 475** HLS 16RS 846

Bill Text Version: **ORIGINAL**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

Date: March 15, 2016 3:37 PM	Author: HOFFMANN
Dept./Agy.: Children & Family Services	Analyst: Patrice Thomas
Subject: Reorganization of the Dept. of Children & Family Services	

CHILDREN/DCFS

OR INCREASE GF EX See Note

Page 1 of 1

Provides for the organization of the Department of Children and Family Services

Under present law, the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) is organized into 4 divisions: (1) Executive Division; (2) Division of Management and Finance; (3) Division of Programs, and (4) Division of Operations. Also, present law provides that the officers of the department shall be the secretary, the undersecretary, the deputy secretary of programs, and the deputy secretary of operations. Proposed law renames the Division of Programs to the Division of Child Welfare. Proposed law renames the Division of Operations to the Division of Family Support. Proposed law deletes the deputy secretary of programs and the deputy secretary of operations as officers and replaces them with the assistant secretary for the Division of Child Welfare and the assistant secretary for the Division of Family Support. In addition, the proposed law creates a new deputy secretary position as an officer of the department. Under the proposed law, the deputy secretary serves as acting secretary in the absence of the secretary. Proposed law is effective July 1, 2016.

EXPENDITURES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	INCREASE	
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total						
REVENUES	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	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

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

The proposed legislation is anticipated to increase SGF expenditures as a result of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) increasing the number of officers from 4 to 5 by creating a deputy secretary position, which does not currently exist within DCFS. The newly created position is anticipated to be funded with 40% SGF and 60% Federal matching funds. Presently, the deputy secretary positions in the department are compensated at an annual salary of approximately \$120,000 plus related benefits.

If DCFS fills the deputy secretary position without additional funds being expended or the total table of organization increasing, reductions would have to be made in its budget in order to absorb this additional cost and an existing position would have to be eliminated.

Note: The fiscal note assumes that salaries associated with renamed positions will remain the same.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules House

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H} | <input type="checkbox"/> 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & 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} |

Evan Brasseaux

Evan Brasseaux
Staff Director