

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council
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Amendment to: Reengrossed
SB 2186

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$166,221	\$4,563,591	\$166,221	\$4,563,591
Appropriations						

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. Bill and fiscal impact summary: *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

The bill provides for early childhood care transition assistance. This bill also provides for early childhood care workforce development, and the establishment of a quality improvement rating system and a quality improvement program for early childhood care facilities and home based care.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The Bill directs the Department to provide early child care transition assistance to pay for a portion of the cost of childcare for families that are no longer eligible to receive TANF grants due to earnings from employment. The bill also directs the Department to establish a statewide system to build systematic training opportunities for the early childhood care and education workforce to voluntarily attain focused training resulting in certificates, specializations, licensure, and degrees in early childhood development and education. The department will also develop and maintain a professional registry for the early childhood care workforce, a quality rating system for licensed early childhood facilities, and a quality improvement program for center and home-based child care programs. The department shall provide program and technical assistance to any early childhood facility that attempts to meet the quality improvement and rating system criteria.

It also includes funds for the purpose of replacing the reduction in the childcare development funds.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The amounts reflected above include the cost to provide child care benefits for six months following the loss of TANF grant benefits. The costs to develop the training, the professional registry, the quality rating system for early childhood facilities, and the quality improvement program for center and home-based child care programs. The bill also includes \$166,221 of general funds to replace the reduction in childcare development funds.

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The appropriation in this bill for the early childcare transition assistance program is \$1,491,210. The total cost of this program estimated to be \$2,897,370, however SB2012 already includes an appropriation of \$1,406,160 for this program. An appropriation of \$1,500,000 for early childhood workforce development, the establishment of a quality rating system, and a quality improvement program is also included in this bill. This bill also includes an appropriation of \$166,221 to offset the childcare development funds reduction.

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