

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council
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Amendment to: Engrossed
HB 1425

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.*

	2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues				(\$13,278,991)		(\$14,086,353)
Expenditures			\$13,278,991	(\$13,278,991)	\$14,086,353	(\$14,086,353)
Appropriations			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
			(\$13,278,991)			(\$14,086,353)		

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).*

A bill to relating to the state taking over responsibility for foster care and subsidized adoption non-federal costs.

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.*

This bill would require the state to bear all costs, in excess of the amount provided by the federal government, for the foster care and subsidized adoption programs. Currently the counties are billed a portion of the program costs not funded by the federal government. The amount billed to the counties is not to exceed twenty-five percent. The bill also requires the county social service boards to submit a budget to the Department of Human Services by December 31, of each year identifying the reduction in county expenditures for the foster care and subsidized adoption programs. Each county affected will be required to publish the amount of tax savings incurred in the county's official newspaper.

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.*

The reduction in revenues is due to the county no longer being required to pay up to 25% of the costs.

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.*

This bill would require the state to bear all costs, in excess of the amount provided by the federal government, for the foster care and subsidized adoption programs. Costs included in these programs includes room and board for children placed in foster care homes and facilities, treatment costs, intensive in-home services and subsidy payments to adoptive parents of special needs children.

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 amendment adds a general fund appropriation of \$13,278,991 to HB1425. Therefore, no additional general fund appropriation is needed in HB1012; but, the other funds appropriation in HB 1012 could be decreased by the \$13,278,991.

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