

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
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Amendment to: Engrossed
HB 1390

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				\$11,180		\$11,180
Expenditures			\$8,820	\$11,180	\$8,820	\$11,180
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 requires the Department to provide liability coverage for every licensed family foster care home. The coverage is for property damage which is caused by the act of a foster child.

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 department already provides liability coverage through "self-insurance" for foster parents. This amendment requires changes to the policy to allow for coverage of acts of foster children. This bill also changes the deductible from \$250 to \$100, the maximum payout per claim from \$2,000 to \$5,000 and the maximum payout per claimant from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Based on historical claims experience the Department is estimating that the fiscal impact of this bill would be \$20,000. The Department's 2007-09 budget contains \$20,000 for the payment of these types of claims.

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 other funds revenues are the federal Foster Care funds that would be available to be matched with the general fund dollars for the payment of any claims.

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 estimated expenditures of \$20,000 would consist of \$8,820 of general fund dollars and \$11,180 of federal 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.*

Senate Bill 2012 contains \$20,000 for the payment of these types of claims so no additional appropriation authority is

needed.

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