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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 1225-03
Bill No.: HB 568
Subject: Children and Minors; Family Law; Family Services Division
Type: Original
Date: March 8, 2005

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 2008
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** and the **Office of State Courts Administrator** assume this proposal would not fiscally impact their agencies.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2006 (10 Mo.)	FY 2007	FY 2008
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

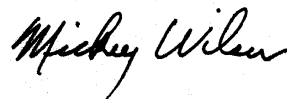
This proposal changes the laws regarding the protection of minors while in the custody of their parents. The proposal:

- (1) Prohibits a child under the care of the state or the jurisdiction of a juvenile court from being reunited with a parent or being placed back in the home with a parent who has been found guilty or plead guilty to specific crimes of sexual offenses or offenses against the family when the child was the victim;
- (2) Allows the Children's Division to exercise discretion in awarding custody or visitation or the placing of a child back in the home of a parent, or any person residing in the home, who has been found guilty or plead guilty to any other offense;
- (3) Removes when a parent has had a full order of protection entered against them from the list of conditions preventing a child from being returned to a parent;
- (4) Allows the juvenile officer or division to file termination of parental rights when a noncustodial parent is delinquent in the payment of child support in excess of \$10,000;
- (5) Prohibits the court from awarding custody or unsupervised visitation to a parent when that parent has been found guilty or plead guilty to specific crimes of sexual offenses or offenses against the family when the child was the victim; and
- (6) Prohibits the court from granting visitation rights to the noncustodial parent if that parent or any person residing with the parent has been found guilty or plead guilty to specific crimes of sexual offenses or offenses against the family when the child was the victim.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Office of State Courts Administrator
Department of Social Services



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