

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 6132H.01I
Bill No.: HB 2506
Subject: Children and Minors; Licenses - Miscellaneous
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Bill Summary: This proposal requires the Office of Childhood to design and develop placards that include a QR code containing a link to a childcare facility's complaint investigations and inspection reports.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

Estimated Net Effect (savings or increased revenues) expected to exceed \$250,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act or at full implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS

FUND AFFECTED	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

§210.253 - Placards with QR code for Inspection Reports

Officials from **Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE)** assume §210.253 requires each licensed childcare provider to receive a placard with a QR code that links to the facility inspections.

Licensing is currently not part of the Child Care Data System (CCDS). Therefore, the Office of Childhood would use Adobe Express to create QR codes for licensed child care providers. The office currently uses Adobe Express so there would not be an additional expense. There is no limit on the number of QR codes that can be created through Adobe Express.

Moving forward to CCDS, when licensing becomes part of CCDS, DESE would ensure that this is part of the requirements when issuing a contract to build the licensing phase.

If DESE were to have to print a placard for each licensed facility, the cost would be approximately eight cents per page. There are currently 2,276 licensed facilities. At .08 per page, the total cost would be approximately \$182.00.

DESE and the Office of Childhood (OCC) does not investigate abuse and neglect. Abuse and neglect are investigated by the Department of Social Services (DSS).

Oversight assumes DESE is provided with core funding to handle a certain amount of activity each year. Oversight assumes DESE could absorb the costs related to this proposal. If multiple bills pass which require additional staffing and duties at substantial costs, DESE could request funding through the appropriation process. Oversight assumes the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

Officials from the **Department of Social Services** assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization. **Oversight** does not have any information to the contrary. Therefore, Oversight will reflect a zero impact in the fiscal note for this agency.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – State Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

<u>FISCAL IMPACT – Local Government</u>	FY 2027 (10 Mo.)	FY 2028	FY 2029
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT – Small Business

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

FISCAL DESCRIPTION

The proposed legislation appears to have no direct fiscal impact.

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

Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
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