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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2008-09		FY 2009-10	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	See below		See below	

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill establishes procedures for facilitated conferencing, including pre-hearing conferences and family group conference prior to adjudication for cases under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

In abuse or neglect cases or when the juvenile is a law violator, the child comes into the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services. The facilitated conferences are anticipated to increase costs by \$195,000 annually. If the facilitated conferences result in: 1) quicker action being taken to reunite the child with his or her parent or parents, 2) the child receiving services earlier and receiving the most appropriate services or 3) facilitates the timeframe in which permanency for the child is achieved, there would be savings to the child welfare system that could offset the costs of the facilitated conferences.

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

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COMMENTS					
SUPREME COURT – Agree. No fiscal impact.					