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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

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ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT - STATE AGENCIES (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	FY 2014-15		FY 2015-16	
_	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	309,960		787,968	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS				
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	309,960		787,968	

Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.

This bill would require varying income disregards to be applied in the child care subsidy program at eligibility redetermination after twelve months of continuous eligibility. Seven percent of the household's gross income would be disregarded after 12 months and 15% after 24 months. At 36 months, income shall be treated the same as at initial eligibility.

The four-month average of participants in the Low-Income Sliding Fee eligibility group that lose eligibility due to earnings is 317 per month. The cost projections are based on the assumption 20% of the children who lose child care eligibility due to income would continue because of the income disregards required under this bill. An additional assumption is made that 20% who lose eligibility due to income have received the subsidy for 12 months. It is estimated that 13 children per month would continue to receive child care services at an average cost per month of \$420.93 in FY 14 and FY 15. First year costs are phased-in as the eligibility redeterminations are made and covers 10 months, assuming an implementation date of September 2014. Estimated costs are \$300,960 GF in FY 15 and \$787,968 GF in FY 15.

One-time programming costs are \$9,000 GF.