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FISCAL NOTE
LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2009-10		FY 2010-11	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS				
CASH FUNDS	167,629		1,279,042	
FEDERAL FUNDS	241,457		1,971,463	
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	409,086		3,250,505	

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

This bill amends the provisions of LB 482, passed in 2007. The bill changes the administration of the Autism Treatment Program to the Department of Health and Human Services; clarifies that all revenue in the Autism Treatment Program Cash Fund may be used as the state match for the Medicaid waiver required in the bill; moves the date for a waiver to be submitted to September 1, 2009 and changes the timeline for the transfer from the Health Care Cash Fund from five years beginning in fiscal year 2007-08 to a date determined by the Department of Health and Human Services, but no later than 90 days after the approval of the waiver.

Since the passage of LB 482, no Health Care Cash Funds were transferred into the Autism Treatment Cash Fund, so the total amount transferred will be \$5 million, as it was in the original bill. The agency will need a program specialist, staff assistant and service coordinator. The staff and operating costs will be \$165,100 (\$70,035 CF and \$95,065 FF) in FY 10. In FY 11, a waiver treatment review contract would be added to the other staff and operating costs. The FY 11 costs are \$250,940 (\$79,216 CF and \$171,724 FF)

It is estimated 85 children would be served under the waiver, estimated to begin in May, 2010. The children who become eligible for the Medicaid Autism waiver are also eligible for all Medicaid services. The costs for medical services other than the Autism treatment are estimated to be \$33,646 (\$13,458 CF and \$20,188 FF) in FY 10 and \$425,000 (\$170,000 CF and \$255,000 FF) in FY 11. The Autism treatment costs are estimated to be \$210,340 (\$84,136 CF and \$126,204 FF) in FY 10 and \$2,574,565 (\$1,029,826 CF and \$1,544,739 FF) in FY 11.

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