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FISCAL NOTE

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2010-11		FY 2011-12	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	187,252 to 741,588		161,223 to 669,404	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS	37,450 to 148,318		32,245 to 133,881	
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	224,702 to 889,906		193,468 to 803,285	

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

This bill establishes a process where a person who has received notice of being placed on the child abuse and neglect central registry may request a hearing. If requested, the director of Health and Human Services will appoint a hearing officer to conduct the hearing. The subject of the report may also appeal the decision of the hearing officer in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act.

Currently a person may request the department to amend, expunge or remove the record of a report of child abuse and neglect. The agency conducted 1,200 such reviews and conducted 69 hearings. Under this bill, the subject of a report could request a hearing at the beginning of the process. The department estimates a range costs between \$224,702 (\$187,252 GF and \$37,450 FF) to \$889,906 (\$741,588 GF and \$148,318 FF) in FY 11 and \$193,468 (\$161,223 GF and \$32,245 FF) to \$803,285 (\$669,404 GF and \$133,881 FF) in FY 12 for additional attorneys, program specialists and support staff to conduct hearings. The assumptions on the additional number of hearings that could result from the requirements in the bill range from 600 to 2,400.