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**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

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For informational purposes, LDH estimated in 2021 staffing requirements necessary to operate an effective OWH would incorporate 10 new T.O. positions in addition to a Deputy Secretary: 8 Program Managers to serve as liaisons for OWH to coordinate research, analysis and policy management activities related to statewide health or social service programs; a Contract Grant Reviewer who will research potential grants and state appropriation budgets to attempt to expand available funds to support services to women and to develop and monitor contracts, applications and sub-recipient grant agreements; and an unspecified assistant. Proposed law authorizes the office to enter into agreements or contracts with any person or government agency as necessary or convenient to carry out its functions. LDH estimated total personnel costs to be $907,150 in annual salaries and $453,575 in related benefits for a total of $1,360,725. Further costs estimated by LDH include $225,502 in Operating Expenses, $200,000 in Professional Services, $16,346 in Equipment and $20,000 in Other Charges for a total state expenditure of $1,822,573.

(1) Assistant Secretary - annual salary of $150,000 + $75,000 (related benefits) = $225,000
(8) Program Manager - annual salary of $659,520 + $329,760 (related benefits) = $989,280
(1) Unspecified Assistant - annual salary of $38,850 + $19,425 (related benefits) = $58,275
(1) Contract Grant Reviewer - annual salary of $58,780 + $29,390 (related benefits) = $88,170

The Legislative Fiscal Office cannot corroborate the workload necessity detailed by LDH. To the degree that staffing levels are greater or less than that estimated by LDH, costs would change proportionally.

Note: Intended duties of OWH currently occur in several offices across state government, notably the Governor’s Office of Women’s Policy whose scope of duties include the advocacy of women’s health policy and serving as a connector between public and private women’s health agencies and educational institutions. As of June 2021, this office was staffed by 1 T.O. at an approximate annual salary of $88,400 and approximated related benefits of $44,200 for a total of $132,600.