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Subject: Reduces SNAP benefits for juveniles in custody of OJJ

SNAP/FOOD STAMPS

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Provides for the reduction of SNAP benefits upon a juvenile entering department of corrections custody

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) to report identifying information of each juvenile placed in its custody for a sentence of nine months or longer to the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). <u>Proposed law</u> requires OJJ to inform DCFS of the juvenile's release from custody no later than forty-five days prior if the juvenile has not reached the age of the majority at the time of release, which means under the age of 22. If OJJ is unable to provide notice forty-five days prior to release due to a modification of a disposition by a court, the office must notify DCFS within twenty-four hours of receipt of the modified disposition. <u>Proposed law</u> also requires DCFS to adjust the SNAP benefits of the juvenile's household to reflect the change in circumstance.

EXPENDITURES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	SEE BELOW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	SEE BELOW	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
REVENUES	2024-25	2025-26	2026-27	2027-28	2028-29	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

Proposed legislation will result in a minimal increase within the Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ) and the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) as a result of one-time IT programming changes. The LFO cannot corroborate that the IT programming changes necessitated by this measure will cost the amount detailed by OJJ and DCFS. The LFO believes that OJJ and DCFS can potentially accomplish these tasks by utilizing existing resources and budget authority. Additionally, the total impact on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits is indeterminable.

Office of Juvenile Justice (OJJ)

The proposed legislation requires that OJJ provide DCFS with the name and date of disposition for each juvenile placed under its custody. OJJ indicates that implementation of this reporting will require the Office of Technology Services (OTS) to program a report with the required information for submission to DCFS. The one-time cost is estimated at \$2,409 IAT for these OTS services (25 hours x \$95 per hour = \$2,375 x 1.45% Medicare = \$34; Total = \$2,409).

Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS)

The proposed legislation requires that DCFS receive the name and date of disposition for each juvenile placed under the custody of OJJ. The bill does not specify the manner in which the information should be shared, so DCFS configured options such as receiving the information by email, standard report, or interface. DCFS reports that the development of the interface would provide a secure location to receive the juvenile's information from OJJ, and it provides an automation process to update the juvenile's custody status. The interface would be developed by the Office of Technology Services (OTS) at an estimated one-time cost that ranges between \$37,500 (290 hours x \$130 = \$37,500) and \$43,000 (330 hours x \$130 per hour = \$43,000). The original source of funding is \$21,500 SGF and \$21,500 Federal, SNAP Administration federal grant that requires a 50% state general fund match.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

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

