

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**  
**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **SB 54** SLS 17RS 245  
 Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Exploited Children	

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 Provides for the unlawful exploitation of children. (8/1/17)

Proposed law expands the definition of shelter care facilities, commercial sexual exploitation and safe houses as it relates to exploited children. Proposed law requires the Dept. of Children & Family Services (DCFS) to maintain a current listing of licensed safe houses that specialize in sexually exploited children. Proposed law broadens the definition of exploited children to include children victimized by commercial sexual activity, human trafficking, and labor trafficking. Proposed law provides when law enforcement shall release an exploited child to parent or guardian, DCFS, or a local child advocacy center. Proposed law provides that DCFS shall investigate reports of abuse and neglect if parental culpability is suspected. Proposed law requires all reports and records of child exploitation be kept confidential. Proposed law provides for expungement of records related to child exploitation. Proposed law becomes effective August 1, 2017.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>5 -YEAR TOTAL</b>
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on expenditures within the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation requires DCFS to investigate reports of child abuse and/or neglect by a parent or caretaker, a person who has a dating or engagement relationship with the parent or caretaker, and a person living in the same residence with a parent or caretaker as spouse whether married or not. Presently, DCFS is the lead agency for investigating reports related to this population. Therefore, this measure is not anticipated to impact the department. In addition, the proposed legislation requires DCFS to maintain a current listing of licensed safe houses that specialize in sexually exploited children. The department can maintain this listing utilizing existing resources, which is anticipated to be minimal.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

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

Senate Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House  
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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