

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



Fiscal Note On: **HB 520** HLS 18RS 911

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Dept./Agy.:</b> DCFS	<b>Analyst:</b> Tanesha Morgan
<b>Subject:</b> State central registry	

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Provides relative to disclosure of information in the state central registry of reports of child abuse and neglect

Proposed law requires the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) to release information involving open or completed investigations of child abuse and neglect to other states' child welfare agencies and to courts or district attorney's offices upon written request.

<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2020-21</b>	<b>2021-22</b>	<b>2022-23</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 governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. This measure requires DCFS to release information involving open or completed investigations of child abuse and neglect to other states' child welfare agencies and to courts or district attorney's offices upon written request. This is existing practice of the department; therefore there is no fiscal impact.

NOTE: Act 348 of 2017 creates a State Central Registry (SCR) of reports of child abuse and neglect, which will be implemented on July 1, 2018. The Act provides that an individual listed in the SCR has the right to appeal a validated case of abuse or neglect before information related to the case can be released. This proposed measure changes Act 348 and provides that information from an open investigation can be released to other states' child welfare agencies and to courts or district attorney's offices prior to an appeal. Providing information on open investigations to other states' child welfare agencies and to courts or district attorney's offices is current practice of the department. This measure will allow this current practice to remain after the implementation of Act 348.

**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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