

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: SB0454

Title: Multiagency initiative for hi-cost SED children cases

Primary

Sponsor: Mignon Waterman

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature

Date

Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director

Date

Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY2002</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY2003</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:	0	0
Revenue:	0	0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	\$0	\$0

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
	X	Significant Local Gov. Impact	X		Technical Concerns
	X	Included in the Executive Budget	X		Significant Long-Term Impacts
	X	Dedicated Revenue Form Attached	X		Family Impact Form Attached

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

Department of Corrections

1. This bill requires the Department of Corrections (DOC) to participate in a multi-agency planning group to provide a continuum of service to children with serious emotional disturbances. The intent of the bill is to provide a range of services to keep youth in the least restrictive placements necessary.
2. Currently, the DOC placement process attempts to use the least restrictive, least costly placement for youth. The department also accesses mental health funds where available. The department has also implemented a pilot program to attempt to use and develop community services where funds are available.
3. The department assumes that there will be no cost associated with this bill. It can absorb the administrative costs of coordinating with the other agencies noted in this bill in its current budget.

Office of Public Instruction

4. The Office of Public Instruction can meet the requirements of SB 454 within existing resources.

Other Agencies

5. There is no fiscal impact to the Department of Public Health and Human Services, the Department of Justice, or the state funded Judiciary.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

Department of Corrections

1. This bill may need to be coordinated with MCA Title 52, Chapter 2, Parts 2 and 3.