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FISCAL NOTE
 LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE

ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES *				
	FY 2012-13		FY 2013-14	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	4,672,309		4,672,309	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS	1,168,077		1,168,077	
OTHER FUNDS				
TOTAL FUNDS	5,840,386		5,840,386	

*Does not include any impact on political subdivisions. See narrative for political subdivision estimates.

This bill requires child welfare caseloads to be within two of the caseload standards outlined in the bill. The Health and Human Services Committee is to annually review the caseload standards of the Child Welfare League of America to determine whether to recommend changes to the standards set out in this bill. The Child Welfare Caseload Estimating Committee is created. On or before September 1 of each even-numbered year the committee shall use the data provided by the department to determine the number of children served and the cost of services provided and estimate the number of families which will require direct services and the estimated cost in the next biennium.

The standards in the bill are the Child Welfare League of America standards. The number of caseworkers needed to meet CWLA standards is 555. Information provided by the department shows that there are 465 case managers between the state and the two lead agencies. Based on this, there would need to be 90 additional caseworkers and 13 supervisors. The cost would be \$5,840,386 (\$4,672,309 GF and \$1,168,077 FF) in FY 13 and FY 14.