

**Department of Planning and Budget
2004 Fiscal Impact Statement**

1. Bill Number House Bill 511

House of Origin ☒ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
Second House ☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled

2. Patron Bradley P. Marrs

3. Committee Courts of Justice

4. Title Child support; extraordinary medical expenses

5. Summary/Purpose: This bill makes computation and payment of future extraordinary medical expenses in sole and split custody arrangements identical to that for shared custody arrangements. Under current law, in sole and split custody arrangements, the allowable costs associated with extraordinary medical expenses are added to the basic child support obligation to establish a monthly child support amount. In shared custody arrangements, those costs are allocated in accordance with the parties' income shares and are paid in addition to the basic child support obligation.

6. Minimal fiscal impact. (see item 8)

7. Budget amendment necessary: No

8. Fiscal implications: This bill will require the Division of Child Support Enforcement (DCSE) to update its Administrative Support Order (ASO) in its automated Child Support System (APECS). Assuming the changes would require a programmer and two analysts (320 hours over 8 weeks) to modify the APECS system, there will be a one-time cost of approximately \$55,500 that can be absorbed within the existing Division appropriation.

9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Department of Social Services
Courts

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources