Department of Planning and Budget 2006 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number	SB 558
	House of Origin	☐ Introduced ☐ Substitute ☐ Engrossed
	Second House	☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled
2.	Patron	Stolle, Kenneth W.
3.	Committee	General Laws
4.	Title	Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority
5.	Summary/Purpose: Provides that the Assistive Technology Loan Fund Authority is under the Secretary of Health and Human Resources and specifies that the Board of Directors of the Authority is responsible for appointing an executive director who is subordinate to the Board	

- Authority is responsible for appointing an executive director who is subordinate to the Board and for ensuring that the executive director complies with all statutory, regulatory and Board directives. The bill also provides that the Board's annual report shall include any loan fund or loan guarantee that the Authority administers or manages and requires the Auditor of Public Accounts to annually audit the Authority and its loan funds.
- 6. No Fiscal Impact (see item 8)
- 7. Budget amendment necessary: No
- **8. Fiscal implications:** This legislation adds duties and responsibilities to the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources. Although the Office should be able to carry out the specific requirements of this bill with assistance from other agencies, there are several other legislative initiatives that would also increase the Office's workload. It is important to note that the cumulative effect of all these separate pieces of legislation would necessitate an additional position and associated funding in the Secretary's Office.
- 9. Specific agency or political subdivisions affected:

Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Resources

10. Technical amendment necessary: No

11. Other comments: None

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cc: Secretary of Health and Human Resources