

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 451

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Toscano, David J.

3. Committee: Courts of Justice

4. Title: Adoption; appointment of counsel if parent is determined to be indigent

5. Summary: The proposed legislation provides that in any adoption proceeding, the court shall inform the birth parent(s) of their right to counsel prior to the adjudicatory hearing of a petition for adoption under this chapter, and may appoint counsel for any birth parent(s) and shall appoint counsel for any birth parent whose consent is required but who has not consented to the adoption if such parent has been determined to be indigent by the court.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: None

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Social Services
Courts

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: None

Date: 1/18/12

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