# Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number:	HB 1637		
	House of Origin	Introduced	Substitute	Engrossed
	Second House	In Committee	Substitute	Enrolled

- **2. Patron:** BaCote, Mamye E.
- 3. Committee: Courts of Justice
- **4. Title:** Parental rights; procedure for restoring to parent whose rights to his child have been terminated
- **5. Summary:** The proposed legislation creates a procedure for restoring parental rights to a parent whose rights to his child have previously been terminated when the child is at least 14 years of age and the child has not achieved his permanency goal. The bill also provides that the juvenile and domestic relations court may appoint a special advocate to provide services to a child who is the subject of judicial proceedings for the restoration of parental rights.

# 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

# 7. Minimal Fiscal Impact

- 8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Social Services estimates that a minimal number of children will be impacted by the provisions of this bill. Therefore, the proposal is not expected to have any significant impact on workload or costs.
- **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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