

Department of Planning and Budget 2018 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB545

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

2. Patron: Freitas

3. Committee: Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. Title: Child care licensure; forfeiture of eligibility for religious exemption.

5. Summary: Requires child day centers seeking exemption from licensure as a religious institution to file with the Commissioner of Social Services, prior to beginning operation and annually thereafter, documentary evidence that the individual seeking to operate the child day center is not currently ineligible to operate another child welfare agency due to a suspension or revocation of his license or license exemption for reasons involving child safety or any criminal conviction, including fraud, related to such child welfare agency.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: See Item 8.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill does not have a fiscal impact. The legislation will expand the Department's legal authority, but any increased workload resulting from this bill can be absorbed within current appropriation and staffing levels.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.