

Department of Planning and Budget

2011 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1178

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

2. Patron: Marsden, David W.

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

4. Title: Child welfare; placement of children

5. Summary: The enrolled bill requires, when in the best interest of the child, local boards first seek out kinship care options to keep children out of foster care and as a placement option for those children in foster care. When a child cannot be returned to his prior family or placed for adoption and kinship care is not currently in the best interests of the child, the local board must consider the placement and services that afford the best alternative for protecting the child's welfare.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No

7. No Fiscal Impact

8. Fiscal Implications: The Department of Social Services reports that the proposal reflects current practice and therefore will not impose any additional costs.

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

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is a companion to HB 1984.

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