Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: SB 134	
	House of Orig	in Introduced Substitute Engrossed
	Second House	☐ In Committee ☐ Substitute ☐ Enrolled
2.	Patron:	Favola, Barbara A.
3.	Committee:	Passed Both Houses
4.	Title:	Independent living services; individuals between 18 and 21 years of age

- 5. Summary: The enrolled bill requires local departments of social services and child-placing agencies to provide independent living services to any person between 18 and 21 years of age who is transitioning from a commitment to the Department of Juvenile Justice to self-sufficiency when such individual was in the custody of the local department of social services immediately prior to his commitment, provides written notice of his intent to receive independent living services, and enters into a written agreement for independent living services with the local board of social services or child-placing agency within 60 days of his release. Currently, local departments and child-placing agencies may but are not required to provide independent living services to such individuals.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. No Fiscal Impact
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** The Department of Social Services maintains that this legislation makes a technical change related to the provision of independent living services to individuals between 18 and 21 years of age by local departments and licensed child placing agencies. The bill changes the language regarding provision of services from "may" to "shall." Funding for this activity was included in the FY 2014 base budget as a result of legislation in the 2013 General Assembly (HB 1743 and SB 863). There is no additional fiscal impact as a result of this technical change.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Social Services Local Departments of Social Services

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

11. Other Comments: This bill is a companion to HB 668.

Date: 2/17/14