## Department of Planning and Budget 2014 Fiscal Impact Statement

| 1. | Bill Number:    | SB 284       |            |           |
|----|-----------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
|    | House of Origin | Introduced   | Substitute | Engrossed |
|    | Second House    | In Committee | Substitute | Enrolled  |

**2. Patron:** Janet D. Howell

## **3.** Committee: Passed Both Houses

- **4. Title:** Kinship care; DSS shall review current policy governing placement of children to avoid foster care
- **5. Summary:** The enrolled bill directs the Department of Social Services (DSS) to review current policies related to kinship care placements and develop recommendations for regulations governing such placements. These recommendations must include an examination of the fiscal impact of the potential regulations. The department must report its recommendations and findings to the Governor, the General Assembly, and the Board of Social Services by January 1, 2016.
- 6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 7. Minimal Fiscal Impact: Final
- **8. Fiscal Implications:** The department should be able to perform the required policy review and fiscal estimate with existing staff and resources. Therefore, no fiscal impact is expected.
- **9.** Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Social Services
- 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

## 11. Other Comments: None

**Date:** 3/5/14