

## Department of Planning and Budget 2017 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB2279

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed  
**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

2. **Patron:** Hester

3. **Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

4. **Title:** Child-protective services; complaints involving members of the United States Armed Forces.

5. **Summary:** Requires local departments of social services to transmit information regarding reports, complaints, family assessments, and investigations involving children of active duty members of the United States Armed Forces or members of their household to family advocacy representatives of the United States Armed Forces. Under current law, local departments of social services may transmit such information, but are only required to transmit information regarding founded complaints or family assessments.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:** See Item 8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill requires local Departments of Social Services to notify Family Advocacy Program representatives of the United States Armed Forces regarding any Child Protective Services complaint involving children of active duty service members or members of their household. The proposed change would expand notifications sent to the United States Armed Forces from only founded reports to also include all reports, complaints, family assessments and investigations received by the local Department of Social Services. Due to the anticipated limited increase in the number of notifications to the military, this bill has a minimal fiscal impact that can be absorbed within the agency's current appropriation.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Social Services, local Departments of Social Services

10. **Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

11. **Other Comments:**