

Department of Planning and Budget

2020 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB778-ER

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| 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:** Jones

3. **Committee:** Passed Both Houses

4. **Title:** Family assessments; timeline.

5. **Summary:** Increases from 45 days to 60 days the allowable time for completing a family assessment by a local department of social services and removes the local department's opportunity to request a 15-day extension.

6. **Budget Amendment Necessary:** No. See Item 8.

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimates:**

7a. **Expenditure Impact:**

| <i>Fiscal Year</i> | <i>Dollars</i> | <i>Fund</i> |
|--------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 2020 | - | - |
| 2021 | \$7,789 | General fund |
| | \$3,211 | Nongeneral fund |
| 2022 | - | - |
| 2023 | - | - |
| 2024 | - | - |
| 2025 | - | - |
| 2026 | - | - |

8. **Fiscal Implications:** Currently, 45 days is the allowable time for completing a family assessment, and an additional 15-day extension is permitted with a written justification from the local department of social services.

This bill will require a modification to the child welfare information system (OASIS) to update the coding related to the completion time frames for family assessments at a one-time cost of \$11,000 (\$7,789 GF; \$3,211 NGF). The Department of Social Services can absorb these costs within its 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: None.