

## Department of Planning and Budget 2022 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** SB689

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

2. **Patron:** Mason

3. **Committee:** Rehabilitation and Social Services

4. **Title:** Foster care; barrier crimes.

5. **Summary:** Replaces the current list of barrier crimes that apply to foster and adoptive parents with certain barrier crimes set forth in federal law and regulations.

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

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

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This legislation aligns the list of crimes that apply to foster and adoptive parents with the crimes set forth in federal law and regulations for foster care and adoption. According to the Department of Social Services (DSS), the bill will not increase or decrease the number of children in foster care, but may allow for a larger pool of available foster homes for those children, as well as potentially increase the number of kinship caregivers. Additionally, the agency does not anticipate an increase in the number of background checks run by the DSS Office of Background Investigations. Therefore, this bill does not have a fiscal impact.

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.