

## Department of Planning and Budget

### 2023 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** SB 1269

House of Origin	<input type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Edwards

**3. Committee:** -

**4. Title:** Auxiliary grants; independent community living

**5. Summary:** The substitute bill includes an enactment clause that requires the Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services (DARS) to develop an implementation plan for expanding the auxiliary grant program to recipients residing in independent community living, the services that may be provided to such recipients, the identification of such recipients, and whether current auxiliary grant program levels are sufficient when considering the state and local components of the program. DARS must report the findings of such study and assessment by November 1, 2023. In addition, this enactment defines "independent community living" as a housing setting in which an individual lives and receives necessary community-based services to assist with activities of daily living, including instrumental activities of daily living, in the least restrictive and most integrated setting practicable.

The bill also includes provisions related to the expansion of auxiliary grants to eligible recipients residing in independent community living settings. However, the proposal's third enactment clause requires that such provisions be reenacted by the 2024 Session of the General Assembly to become effective. As such, these programmatic changes would not be allowed or required without future legislative action.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Minimal Fiscal Impact**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** DARS reports that agency would be able to develop the plan as required by the bill without any additional resources. Since all other aspects of the legislation are subject to future legislative action, the bill has no other potential fiscal implications.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:**  
Department for Aging and Rehabilitative Services

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None