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sHB-7103

AN ACT CONCERNING THE KATIE BECKETT WORKING GROUP
RECOMMENDATIONS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Social Services, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill changes the maximum age for individuals on the Katie Beckett waiver from 21 to 18 years of age. As participants on the waiver are eligible for Medicaid services under HUSKY C after turning age 18, this creates a shift in program costs. To the extent the shift to HUSKY C creates an opening for individuals to be served on the waiver from the wait list earlier than they otherwise would have, DSS will incur related costs. For context, the average state cost per client is approximately \$25,500 annually.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.