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sHB-7108

AN ACT CONCERNING AUTISM AND INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY SERVICES AND ABUSE AND NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 26 \$	FY 27 \$
Policy & Mgmt., Off.	GF - Cost	502,000	500,000
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	40,000	40,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

Sections 1-3 of the bill result in a cost of \$502,000 in FY 26 and \$500,000 in FY 27 to the Office of Policy and Management (OPM).

OPM will incur costs of \$400,000 in FY 26 and FY 27 for a consultant to conduct research and analysis and produce a report on changes to definitions and eligibility criteria for various services offered by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS).

OPM will also require a State Program Manager to liaise with hospitals regarding the provision of care for patients with autism and intellectual and developmental disabilities. This results in an annual cost of approximately \$99,000 to OPM beginning in FY 26 and a one-

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 40.71% of payroll in FY 26.

time cost of \$2,000 in FY 26 for equipment. There is also a corresponding annual cost of \$40,000 to OSC beginning in FY 26 for fringe benefits.

The Out Years

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