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

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

Minimal Cost

The amendment strikes the language in the underlying bill and the associated fiscal impact.

Sections 1-3 establish various reporting requirements for the Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and require a working group to study and make recommendations on the current and future use of Southbury Training School. This has no fiscal impact to the state as DDS already has the necessary resources and expertise to do so.

Section 4 requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to apply for any available federal or private grant funding to conduct a state-wide autism needs assessment. To the extent DSS is awarded such funding, the agency will utilize the funds to conduct the needs assessment.

Section 5 requires the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to establish a working group to study the feasibility of an interagency complex case team for young adults with intellectual or developmental disabilities and co-occurring needs, and to submit a report of findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by February 1, 2026. This does not result in a fiscal impact to the state as OPM already has

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Section 7 requires the Auditors of Public Accounts (APA), in conjunction with the Office of Policy and Management, to review the costs of providing certain public and private services to individuals with intellectual disabilities resulting in a cost to the state. To meet the requirements of the bill, the APA will have to hire a consultant to conduct the review and produce the report resulting in a one-time cost in FY 26 of \$50,000 to \$100,000. The exact cost is dependent on responses to the RFP.

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