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HB-5476

AN ACT CONCERNING OVERSIGHT OF EFFORTS TO PREVENT  
HUMAN TRAFFICKING.

AMENDMENT

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### ***OFA Fiscal Note***

#### **Eliminates Fiscal Impact in Bill**

The amendment makes various changes to the underlying bill, eliminating all fiscal impacts as described below.

The amendment eliminates Sections 1 and 2 of the underlying bill, which require the Office of Policy and Management (OPM) to create a human trafficking prevention coordinator position and meet various requirements. Eliminating these sections removes the cost to OPM and the Office of the State Comptroller associated with the underlying bill.

The amendment requires the Criminal Justice Policy and Planning Division within OPM to: (1) evaluate coordination efforts among state agencies to prevent human trafficking; (2) develop a comprehensive plan; and (3) submit a report by January 1, 2027. This does not result in a fiscal impact as it is anticipated that OPM can meet these requirements within existing resources.

The amendment also strikes Section 6 of the underlying bill and creates new requirements for facilities that are licensed by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), eliminating the DCF cost of \$250,000 in FY 27. This fiscal impact is associated with the amendment's elimination of out-of-home care location security assessments. This also eliminates potential significant costs to the

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agency if they were to be responsible for identified security improvements, as well as the potential to incur significant liabilities if they failed to address them.

The potential cost to various municipal police departments related to performing the security assessment in conjunction with DCF is also eliminated by the amendment.

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