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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 3920 Introduced on March 7, 2017
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Subject: Child Abuse
Requestor: House Education and Public Works
RFA Analyst(s): Shuford
Impact Date: March 20, 2017

Estimate of Fiscal Impact

	FY 2017-18	FY 2018-19
State Expenditure		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Full-Time Equivalent Position(s)	0.00	0.00
State Revenue		
General Fund	\$0	\$0
Other and Federal	\$0	\$0
Local Expenditure	\$0	Undetermined
Local Revenue	\$0	\$0

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds of the Department of Social Services in FY 2018-19. Local school district expenditures would increase by an undetermined amount depending on how schools create the required signs to provide information on reporting incidents of child abuse, neglect, and exploitation beginning in school year 2018-2019.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill requires the Department of Social Services (DSS) to maintain a statewide toll-free number for the referral of family-related problems including the reporting of child abuse, neglect, exploitation, and other problems that may affect the stability of family life. By the 2018-2019 school year, DSS expects to provide a statewide hotline number that fulfills the bill's requirements as part of its statewide implementation of regional intake hubs. Therefore, this bill would have no expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

This bill requires each public and charter school to post at least five signs that provide information on reporting incidents of child abuse, neglect, and exploitation beginning in school year 2018-2019. The Department of Education indicates that five signs that measure eight and

one-half inches by eleven inches and 125 millimeters thick with peel and stick adhesive strips would cost \$190 per school. While these specifications may exceed the requirements of the bill, the estimate is provided for information. With 1,252 schools, local expenditures could increase by \$237,880 in FY 2018-19 using the quoted prices. The final school district expenditure impact will depend on how the schools create the signs.

Local Revenue

N/A



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