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sHB-5189

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SUSPENSION OF DELINQUENCY
PROCEEDINGS FOR FIRE-STARTING BEHAVIOR TREATMENT.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Judicial Dept.; Children & Families, Dept.	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which allows the court to suspend a delinquency proceeding for specified fire starting offenses and to order a child for evaluation and treatment, results in a potential cost to the Judicial Department and the Department of Children and Families (DCF).

Costs for the evaluation and treatment program are to be paid by the child's parent or guardian unless the costs are waived by the court upon a finding that the parent or guardian is indigent. In such cases, the cost will be paid by the Judicial Department. If the child is in the care and custody of DCF, then such costs will be paid by the agency.

The Out Years

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