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AN ACT REDUCING PARTICIPANT COSTS AND EXPANDING
ELIGIBILITY FOR THE CONNECTICUT HOME-CARE PROGRAM
FOR THE ELDERLY.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Social Services, Dept.	GF - Cost	3 million	3.6 million

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill results in a state cost of approximately \$3 million in FY 19 and \$3.6 million in FY 20 associated with increasing eligibility and reducing cost sharing for the Connecticut Home Care Program for Elders (CHCPE). Increasing the asset limit (from \$37,080 to \$40,000 for individuals and from \$49,440 to \$65,000 for couples) is anticipated to result in a cost of approximately \$2.1 million in FY 19 and \$2.7 million in FY 20. Decreasing participant cost sharing for the program, from 9% to 7%, results in increased state costs of approximately \$850,000 in FY 19 and FY 20.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to program enrollment and service utilization.

Sources: Department of Social Services Caseload Information

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