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AN ACT CONCERNING MINOR REVISIONS TO THE STATUTES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND ESTABLISHING A PILOT PROGRAM TO PERMIT ELECTRONIC REPORTING BY MANDATED REPORTERS.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Children & Families, Dept.	GF - Potential Savings	None	less than 50,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which allows the Department of Children and Families to establish a pilot program, starting 10/1/19, to permit certain mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect to submit their reports electronically, is anticipated to result in potential savings of less than \$50,000 in FY 20. Savings are associated with Careline overtime that occurs during the first and second shift overlap on school days.¹ The electronic mandated reporting system is part of the greater Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System build, which is already underway. Other provisions of the bill are not anticipated to result in a fiscal impact to the state or municipalities.

The Out Years

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

¹Approximately five hours of overtime per day, with 180 school days each year, at a mid-range hourly rate of \$54.52.