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AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE NEEDS OF PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY.

As Amended by Senate "A" (LCO 5049)

Senate Calendar No.: 172

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 19 \$	FY 20 \$
Department of Developmental Services	GF - Potential Savings	See Below	See Below
Department of Developmental Services	GF - Potential Cost	See Below	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which requires DDS to develop three pilot programs for residential services within available appropriations and specifies that any resulting cost savings generated by a provider may be retained and used to meet the needs of additional eligible individuals, has no net fiscal impact.

Under the pilot programs DDS consumers may move to less restrictive and less expensive alternative residential service models.¹

¹ Traditional Model: Group Home/Continuous Residential Supports: Per person cost range from \$90,000 to \$148,000 for a four bed home depending on consumers' level of need.

Alternative Model: Community Companion Home: Per person costs range from \$12,000 to \$41,000 for four bed home depending on consumers' level of need.

Shared Living Arrangement: Per person average annual cost is \$63,700.

Housing Cluster: Per person average annual cost is \$37,900.

In turn, the savings which result from these changes in residential service will be used to fund additional DDS consumers who are waiting for services.

The number of individuals who will be in the pilots and the cost differential between their current and future setting is not known at this time. Therefore, the potential savings resulting from the alternative settings and potential costs of the newly provided services cannot be calculated at this time.

House "A" strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact and replaces it with the language whose fiscal impact is described above.

The Out Years

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Sources: DDS FY 16 Funding Guidelines
http://www.ct.gov/dds/lib/dds/operations_center/2016/fy16_funding_guidelines.pdf