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sHB-6291

AN ACT CONCERNING PROTECTIONS FOR CERTAIN GROUP
CHILD CARE AND FAMILY CHILD CARE HOMES.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 20 \$	FY 21 \$
Various Municipalities	Potential Loss of State Aid	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill results in a loss of state aid to municipalities that do not comply with specified zoning statutes, as it requires that they are precluded from receiving any grants-in-aid in the year following a violation.

The potential revenue loss can vary significantly by town, and depends on what grants are included in the definition of “grants-in-aid.” Municipal aid totaled approximately \$4.5 billion in FY 19.

Sec. 8 of the bill authorizes the Department of Housing (DOH) to determine when a violation occurs. It is unclear how DOH would implement this provision. To the extent that DOH makes such determinations of violations solely based on notifications from the Office of Early Childhood or other regulating agencies with purview over the statutes identified, there is no fiscal impact to DOH anticipated.

The bill also makes changes to the zoning and regulation of child

care facilities which do not have a fiscal impact.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the amount budgeted for municipal aid, and the number of violations of certain housing statutes.