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Bill Topic: WRAPAROUND SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE AT-RISK CHILDREN

- Summary of Fiscal Impact: State Revenue, State Expenditure, State Transfer, TABOR Refund, Local Government, Statutory Public Entity

Budget package bill. The bill delays a program created under SB 19-195 that provides wraparound services for children and youth in or at risk of out-of-home placement.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2020-21, the bill includes a reduction in appropriations of \$1.8 million from the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing, Human Services, and Public Health and Environment

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the House Appropriations Committee. It was recommended by the Joint Budget Committee as part of its FY 2020-21 budget balancing package.

Table 1 State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 20-1384

Table with 4 columns: Category, Sub-category, FY 2020-21, FY 2021-22. Rows include Revenue, Expenditures (General Fund, Federal Funds, Total), Total FTE, Transfers, and TABOR Refund.

Summary of Legislation

Senate Bill 19-195 required the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (HCPF) and the Department of Human Services (DHS) to work collaboratively to provide Medicaid-covered wraparound services for children and youth in or at risk of out-of-home placement.

The bill also required the DHS to create three new tools:

- a standardized assessment tool to facilitate identification of behavioral health issues and other related needs in children and youth;
- a statewide behavioral health screening tool for primary care providers serving children, youth, and caregivers in the perinatal period, including postpartum women; and
- a single statewide referral and entry point for children and youth who have a positive behavioral health screening or whose needs are identified through a standard assessment.

Finally, the bill required the Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) to provide free training for providers on these tools.

This bill removes FY 2020-21 appropriations for the program, makes the program subject to available appropriations, and removes related implementation deadlines.

State Expenditures

The bill reduces state expenditures by \$1.8 million and 6.6 FTE in FY 2020-21 and up to \$10.8 million and 6.3 FTE in FY 2021-22 and future fiscal years. The ongoing reduction in expenditures in future years will decrease or end if, through the annual budget process, the General Assembly provides appropriations for the program to continue its implementation.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect upon signature of the Governor, or upon becoming law without his signature.

State Appropriations

For FY 2020-21, the bill requires the following appropriations:

- a reduction of \$1.4 million to HCPF, including \$677,492 General Fund and \$812,571 in federal funds, and 3.9 FTE;
- a reduction in reappropriated funds from HCPF to DHS of \$300,000 from the appropriation above;
- a reduction in appropriations to DHS of \$195,380 General Fund and 2.5 FTE; and
- a reduction in appropriations to CDPHE of \$108,640 General Fund and 0.2 FTE.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing

Human Services

Public Health and Environment