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FISCAL NOTE

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Prime Sponsors: Rep. McCluskie; Esgar Bill Status: House Appropriations
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Bill Topic: SUSPEND TRANSFERS CHILD WELFARE SERVICES CASH FUND

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

Budget package bill. This bill suspends transfers of any unspent child welfare capped allocations to the Child Welfare Prevention and Intervention Cash Fund starting in the current FY 2019-20 until FY 2021-22.

Appropriation Summary: No appropriation is required.

Fiscal Note Status: This fiscal note reflects the introduced bill and is recommend by the Joint Budget Committee as part of the FY 2020-21 budget balancing package.

Summary of Legislation

This bill suspends transfers of any unspent child welfare capped allocations to the Child Welfare Prevention and Intervention Cash Fund (cash fund) starting in the current FY 2019-20 until FY 2021-22.

Background

Under current law, money in the Child Welfare Prevention and Intervention Cash Fund must be allocated to counties in order to increase local child welfare prevention and intervention services capacity.

State Transfers

For the current FY 2019-20 through FY 2021-22, this bill cancels the transfer of any unspent General Fund child welfare allocation money to the cash fund. As a result, the General Fund may have more funds to spend or save in FY 2020-21 through FY 2022-23. The amount available will depend on the amount of unspent child welfare allocations and therefore cannot be estimated at this time.

Local Government

For FY 2020-21 through FY 2022-23, money available to county departments of human services from the cash fund may decrease. The decrease is dependent on the amount of unspent child welfare allocations, the type of allocations being underspent, and the size of the county. Therefore, the exact decrease in funds to counties cannot be determined at this time.

Effective Date

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

State and Local Government Contacts

Counties Human Services