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Revised Fiscal Note

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Drafting Number:	LLS 21-0454	Date:	March 29, 2021
Prime Sponsors:	Rep. Ransom; Michaelson Jenet Sen. Zenzinger; Smallwood	Bill Status:	House Appropriations
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Bill Topic: **POLICIES & PROCEDURES TO IDENTIFY DOMESTIC ABUSE**

Summary of Fiscal Impact:

<input type="checkbox"/> State Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> TABOR Refund
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Expenditure	<input type="checkbox"/> Local Government
<input type="checkbox"/> State Transfer	<input type="checkbox"/> Statutory Public Entity

The bill creates a task force to update the definition of domestic abuse in relation to child abuse and neglect. The bill increases state expenditures in FY 2021-22 and FY 2022-23.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2021-22, this bill requires an appropriation of \$22,500 to the Department of Human Services.

Fiscal Note Status: This revised fiscal note reflects the introduced bill, as amended by the House Public and Behavioral Health and Human Services Committee.

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 21-1099

		Budget Year FY 2021-22	Out Year FY 2022-23
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	\$22,500	\$30,000
Transfers		-	-
TABOR Refund		-	-

Summary of Legislation

The bill requires the Department of Human Services (DHS) to create a domestic abuse task force. The task force must develop a definition of domestic abuse for state statute that reflects its impact on the emotional and developmental well-being of a child. DHS must report recommendations of the task force to the General Assembly by December 2022. On or before July 1, 2023, DHS must promulgate rules based on recommendations from the Domestic Abuse Program and Child Welfare Workgroup, and vetted by the task force, to implement assessment policies, procedures, and training for child welfare caseworkers to recognize, respond, and assess child abuse or neglect related to domestic abuse.

State Expenditures

This bill increases General Fund expenditures in DHS by \$22,500 in FY 2021-22 and \$30,000 in FY 2022-23 to create a domestic abuse task force. Costs include hiring a facilitator to manage the development of work products, coordinate meetings and record recommendations. These costs are prorated to reflect enactment of the legislation on October 1, 2021. In addition, DHS will promulgate rules, update instruments and processes, train staff, and monitor the impact of this legislation over time. This workload can be accomplished within existing appropriations.

Effective Date

The bill takes effect 90 days following adjournment of the General Assembly sine die, assuming no referendum petition is filed.

State Appropriations

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State and Local Government Contacts

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