

Division of Child Welfare

TO: Joint Budget Committee Members

FROM: Robin J. Smart, JBC Staff

SUBJECT: Correction of appropriation to County Level Child Welfare Staffing and Training line items.

DATE: March 24, 2016

The Department of Human Services requests for funding for county level child welfare staff included \$91,325 in FY 2015-16 and an additional \$91,325 in FY 2016-17. Because these funds are associated with the cost of county level staffing, Staff recommended the appropriation of the funds to the County Level Child Welfare Staffing and Training line items. The Department has informed Staff that those funds are not allocated to counties as part of the block grant and are instead used at the department level to cover the cost of training county level staff at the Training Academy.

Staff requests permission to decrease the County Level Child Welfare Staffing line item by \$182,650 total funds, and increase the Training line item by the same amount. In addition, Staff requests permission to work with the Department to determine the correct fund source splits.