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Bill Topic: WRAPAROUND SERVICES FOR ELIGIBLE AT-RISK CHILDREN

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

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. Beginning in FY 2020-21, it reduces state expenditures on an ongoing basis, or until the General Assembly resumes appropriating money to the program.

Appropriation Summary: For FY 2020-21, the bill includes a reduction in appropriations of \$1.7 million from the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing and Human Services.

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

Table 1
State Fiscal Impacts Under HB 20-1384

		FY 2020-21	FY 2021-22
Revenue		-	-
Expenditures	General Fund	(\$872,872)	up to (\$5.6 million)
	Federal Funds	(\$812,571)	up to (\$5.2 million)
	Total	(\$1,685,443)	up to (\$10.8 million)
	Total FTE	(6.4 FTE)	up to (6.3 FTE)
Transfers		-	-
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 \$1.7 million and 6.4 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.

Technical Note

In the fiscal note for SB 19-195, CDPHE required ongoing funding to create the free provider training on the DHS' tools. For FY 2020-21, \$108,840 and 0.2 FTE General Fund is annualized into the Long Bill for this purpose. The bill may also include a reduction in this appropriation.

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; and
- a reduction in appropriations to DHS of \$195,380 General Fund and 2.5 FTE.

State and Local Government Contacts

Health Care Policy and Financing
Joint Budget Committee

Human Services
Public Health and Environment