

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DHFS 2/15/2006

LRB Number	05-4543/1	Introduction Number	SB-579	Estimate Type	Original
Description Caregiver background information and providing a penalty					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, entities that provide direct care or treatment services to clients are required to obtain certain background information on prospective caregiver employees. This information must include criminal history, history of abuse or neglect, and information regarding credentials and past denials of credentials. Additionally, caregivers are required to complete a background information form provided by the Department of Health and Family Services (DHFS). Entities are required to update this information every four years.

This bill would remove the requirement for caregivers to complete the DHFS background information form if the entity already requires its caregivers to disclose any criminal conviction or charge and the entity notifies its caregivers of the disclosure requirements annually.

This bill will not have a fiscal effect on the Department of Health and Family Services or county departments of human or social services.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications