

Fiscal Estimate - 2005 Session

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LRB Number 05-2751/1	Introduction Number AB-521
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Subject
 Termination of parental rights and adoption

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

Towns Village Cities
 Counties Others
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 350	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Fiscal Estimate Assumptions for AB 521 Termination of Parental Rights and Adoptions

- *AB 521 simplifies the termination of parental rights.
- *AB 521 streamlines the placement of these children into permanent situations through adoption.
- *All or virtually all of the affected children are in foster homes or foster treatment homes.
- *Per DHFS statewide data is not available to assess how many current children have had their parental rights terminated under the current statutes or would be terminated under the new provisions in AB 521.
- * There is no basis for estimating the additional costs for child support agency to obtain a court order for good cause to access parental declarations. It would take a child support agency less time using an administrative process.
- *There is no basis for estimating the new costs the court system would have for handling child support agency request for a statement of declaration.
- *There is no basis for estimating the loss of child support payments to the foster care or foster care treatment agencies for any child support agencies delay in accessing a parental declaration due to needing court action to access them.
- *It is estimated that the loss of support payments to the foster care system would be none to minimal if there was a delayed paternity determination due to child support needing a court order or not knowing there was a parental declaration. In addition, it would be none to minimal loss in support payments to the foster care agencies for gaps between parental termination and adoption. The bill's requirements for terminations are likely to exclude virtually all parents who would pay child support. In addition, recent contacts with some county child support agencies have not found any who have accessed DHFS parental declaration information available to them under current law. Any loss of support payments for foster care would be to the state for Milwaukee County and to the counties for the remainder of the state.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications