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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill adds county departments of social services or human services, including the Division of Milwaukee Child Welfare, to the list of entities who are allowed access to information contained in the electronic records of the juvenile courts.

In 2011 Wisconsin Act 270, the Legislature required the circuit courts to make certain information contained in the electronic records of the juvenile court available to a number of individuals and agencies. The act authorized the Director of State Courts to use the Consolidated Court Automation Programs (CCAP) to make information from circuit court cases under chapters 48 and 938, Wis. Stats. available electronically to a number of entities, including the Department of Children and Families.

Pursuant to Act 270, CCAP developed a secure website containing the information allowed by the act called the Wisconsin Juvenile Circuit Court Access (WJCCA). Different methods of access to WJCCA data are available, depending on the type of entity involved.

The Department of Children and Families is authorized to obtain electronic juvenile information under Act 270 and may in turn provide it to authorized users of its statewide automated child welfare information system, including county child welfare agencies. In order to access this data, users must request user accounts and purchase fobs for this purpose. A "fob" is a physical key that will generate secure passwords for the WJCCA website. CCAP works with these users to set up accounts and issue the fobs, which may be shared within an office.

Because the WJCCA website and a method of implementation through the use of a fob system has already been established, the fiscal impact of this bill on the court system will be minimal. Counties may incur minor costs for the purchase of the fobs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications