

**NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL NOTE**

**BILL NUMBER:** House Bill 1637

**SHORT TITLE:** Violent Caregivers Changes

**SPONSOR(S):** Representative Martin Nesbitt

<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>					
	<b>Yes (X)</b>	<b>No ( )</b>	<b>No Estimate Available ( )</b>		
	<b><u>FY 2000-01</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2001-02</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2002-03</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2003-04</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2004-05</u></b>
<b>REVENUES</b>	<b>\$11,952</b>	<b>\$11,952</b>	<b>\$11,952</b>	<b>\$11,952</b>	<b>\$11,952</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$15,936</b>	<b>\$15,936</b>	<b>\$15,936</b>	<b>\$15,936</b>	<b>\$15,936</b>
<b>NET APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$3,984</b>	<b>\$3,984</b>	<b>\$3,984</b>	<b>\$3,984</b>	<b>\$3,984</b>
<b>POSITIONS:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>PRINCIPAL DEPARTMENT(S) &amp; PROGRAM(S) AFFECTED:</b> Department of Health & Human Services and Department of Justice, Administrative Office of the Courts					
<b>EFFECTIVE DATE:</b> October 1, 2000					

**BILL SUMMARY:**

This bill clarifies various provisions of Session Law 1999-318 (House Bill 1159) "Protection from Violent Caregivers" which was enacted during the 1999 Legislative Session. The bill also amends various sections in G. S. 7B to grant authority to the Department of Health & Human Services through the Department of Justice, to conduct a thorough criminal history check on certain individuals alleged or found to have physically abused a juvenile.

**ASSUMPTIONS AND METHODOLOGY:**

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:** The following assumptions are based upon data provided by the Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Social Services:

- 1) \$48 per criminal history check (\$14 for each state level check; \$24/federal; \$5/fingerprint and \$5 for local checks);
- 2) Approximately 332 cases requiring criminal history check (no projected growth in cases over the next five years);
- 3) Title IV-B, federal reimbursement will offset approximately 75% of the cost of each criminal history check; and
- 4) **No additional state funds are needed** (the Department of Health & Human Services, Division of Social Services will absorb the additional cost for criminal history checks within their existing budget).

**DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE:** No significant impact anticipated.

**TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS:** None

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