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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Swisstack DATE TYPED 2/25/2005 HB 525

SHORT TITLE Regional Juvenile Services Act Grants SB _____

ANALYST Dunbar

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Contained		Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY05	FY06	FY05	FY06		
	See Narrative				

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

House Bill 525 revises the criteria for grant applications under the Regional Juvenile Services Act.

Significant Issues

The bill revises portions of the Regional Juvenile Services Act to increase from one regional system to eight systems. Tribal governments will be encouraged to join in with the state, counties and municipalities to provide juvenile services.

The bill revises the grant application process to require the formal identification and organization of the regions in order for funding under the grant. The bill also increases the amount of funding from sixty percent of the total annual cost to ninety percent of the annual cost for the project. Local match of project costs would be required under the revised language. Local match may include cash, land, equipment or in-kind services. The amount of the local match was not identified.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The Regional Juvenile Services Act is currently not funded by the legislature. The Act provides that CYFD through the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, administer the Grant funds.

TECHNICAL ISSUES

CYFD recommends that the number of regions correspond to the six regions recognized by health and human services agencies rather than the eight proposed in the bill.

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