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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Rodriguez **ORIGINAL DATE** 1/29/15
LAST UPDATED _____ **HB** _____

SHORT TITLE Statewide Domestic Violence Services **SB** 177

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APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY15	FY16		
\$0.0	\$1,000.0	Recurring	General

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Children Youth and Families Department (CYFD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Bill 177 appropriates \$1 million from the general fund to the Children, Youth and Families Department for domestic violence services in FY16.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$1 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY16 shall revert to the general fund. The LFC recommendation includes \$150 thousand for this purpose.

Currently, CYFD has \$10 million of general fund, \$667 thousand of other state funds, and \$79 thousand of other transfers in the FY15 operating budget in the contractual services category for domestic violence services. This appropriation represents a 9 percent increase.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

This bill provides additional funding for direct services to domestic violence victims, child witnesses, and offenders. Services may include, but not be limited to, emergency shelter, advocacy, legal advocacy, life skill development, and counseling. This appropriation will increase the number of services domestic violence programs can provide.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

CYFD maintains performance measures focusing on the safety of domestic violence victims and offender treatment and intervention programs.

ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS

CYFD states any additional administrative duties associated with implementing the provisions of the bill can be absorbed by existing staff.

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