

## Department of Planning and Budget 2021 Fiscal Impact Statement

**1. Bill Number:** HB1912

**House of Origin**     Introduced     Substitute     Engrossed

**Second House**     In Committee     Substitute     Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Hope

**3. Committee:** House Committee for Courts of Justice

**4. Title:** Child support payments for juveniles in custody of or committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice

**5. Summary:** The proposed bill provides that the Department of Juvenile Justice is no longer required to apply for child support from, and the parent of a juvenile is no longer responsible to pay child support to, the Department of Social Services for a juvenile who is in the temporary custody of or committed to the Department of Juvenile Justice.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** See Line 8

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** Preliminary (Line #8)

**8. Fiscal Implications:** According to the Department of Juvenile Justice (DJJ), the child support payments received from the Department of Social Services (DSS) are used to help cover the general care cost of juveniles under their custodial responsibility. Under the proposed bill, DJJ estimates an annual loss of funding of approximately \$435,278. This funding is used to help cover the general care cost of housing, treatment and educating juveniles in DJJ's custody.

There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the Department of Social Services.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** Department of Juvenile Justice, and Department of Social Services

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** None