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Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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Primary Sponsor: Rep. K. Miller

Local Impact Statement Procedure Required: No

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Highlights

- Public children services agencies (PCSAs) may realize costs to take temporary emergency care of a child in certain situations.

Detailed Analysis

The bill specifies that, if a child is taken into custody for reasons related to the child's welfare and the child cannot be released to a parent, guardian, or custodian, the court officer or law enforcement officer must immediately notify the public children services agency (PCSA) of the county in which the child is taken into custody. Upon receiving notice, the PCSA must take immediate temporary emergency care of the child. If the child is taken into temporary emergency care in a county other than the county in which the child resides, the PCSA must provide temporary emergency care until the child is able to be released to an appropriate caregiver or to the PCSA of the county in which the child resides. However, the bill does not require a court officer or law enforcement officer to immediately notify a PCSA as specified above when law enforcement would be involved in taking custody of the child for reasons unrelated to the child's welfare.

There could be costs to a PCSA to take temporary emergency care of a child in such situations. However, costs will depend on the number of times this occurs and how the bill's provisions differ from current practice.