Multiple Agency Fiscal Note Summary

Bill Number: 1945 HB Title: Food assistance access

Estimated Cash Receipts

NONE

Estimated Operating Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25			2025-27				2027-29				
	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total	FTEs	GF-State	NGF-Outlook	Total
Department of Social and Health Services	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0	.0	0	0	0
Department of Fiscal note not available Children, Youth, and Families												
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0

Estimated Capital Budget Expenditures

Agency Name	2023-25				2025-27		2027-29			
	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	FTEs	Bonds	Total	
Department of Social and	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	.0	0	0	
Health Services										
Department of Children, Fiscal note not available										
Youth, and Families										
Total \$	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0.0	0	0	

Estimated Capital Budget Breakout

NONE

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Individual State Agency Fiscal Note

Bill Number: 1	945 HB	Title: Food assistance access	Agenc	y: 300-Department of Social and Health Services
Part I: Estima	ates			
X No Fiscal II	npact			
Estimated Cash R	eceipts to:			
NONE				
Estimated Operat NONE	ting Expenditure	from:		
Estimated Capital	Budget Impact:			
NONE				
		timates on this page represent the most like	ely fiscal impact. Factors impactin	g the precision of these estimates,
		are explained in Part II. v corresponding instructions:		
If fiscal impa	act is greater than	\$50,000 per fiscal year in the current l	piennium or in subsequent bien	nia, complete entire fiscal note
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Requires ne	w rule making, co	mplete Part V.		
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Part II: Narrative Explanation

II. A - Brief Description Of What The Measure Does That Has Fiscal Impact

Significant provisions of the bill and any related workload or policy assumptions that have revenue or expenditure impact on the responding agency by section number.

HB 1945 relates to streamlining and enhancing program access for persons eligible for food assistance.

This bill expands eligibility for Working Connections Child Care (WCCC) and the birth to three Early Childhood Education and Assistance Program (ECEAP), to include applicants who are members of an assistance unit eligible for or receiving Basic Food benefits under the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or the state Food Assistance Program (FAP).

The Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) Economic Services Administration (ESA) anticipates no caseload or workload impacts associated with the implementation of this bill, and therefore no fiscal impact.

II. B - Cash receipts Impact

Cash receipts impact of the legislation on the responding agency with the cash receipts provisions identified by section number and when appropriate, the detail of the revenue sources. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the cash receipts impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

II. C - Expenditures

Agency expenditures necessary to implement this legislation (or savings resulting from this legislation), with the provisions of the legislation that result in the expenditures (or savings) identified by section number. Description of the factual basis of the assumptions and the method by which the expenditure impact is derived. Explanation of how workload assumptions translate into cost estimates. Distinguished between one time and ongoing functions.

ESA anticipates no caseload or workload impacts associated with the implementation of this bill, and therefore no fiscal impact.

Regarding caseload impact to Basic Food programs, potential applicants would necessarily be those not already included as zero-issuance SNAP/FAP households, with income above the current ECEAP limit, with an age-eligible child, who would not have otherwise applied for Basic Food. Though it is plausible that additional households would apply for Basic Food benefits in order to become eligible for ECEAP, ESA estimates potential caseload impacts to be negligible at most.

This bill does not require Information Technology (IT) enhancements to the Barcode system, however any unanticipated Barcode costs would be passed through to the Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF).

Part III: Expenditure Detail

III. A - Operating Budget Expenditures NONE

III. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

III. C - Operating FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part I and Part IIIA.

NONE

III. D - Expenditures By Program (optional)

NONE

Part IV: Capital Budget Impact

IV. A - Capital Budget Expenditures

NONE

IV. B - Expenditures by Object Or Purpose

NONE

IV. C - Capital Budget Breakout

Acquisition and construction costs not reflected elsewhere on the fiscal note and description of potential financing methods.

NONE

IV. D - Capital FTE Detail: FTEs listed by classification and corresponding annual compensation. Totals agree with total FTEs in Part IVB.

NONE

Part V: New Rule Making Required

Provisions of the bill that require the agency to adopt new administrative rules or repeal/revise existing rules.