

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DWD 10/24/2005

LRB Number	05-3228/2	Introduction Number	SB-344	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
Day care van child safety alarms					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

LRB-3228/2SB 334 Child Safety Alarms

Assumptions:

*DWD is to begin developing certified child care provider emergency rules and proposed rules the day after publication of this legislation. The emergency rules and the proposed certified provider rules must cover 1) conditions under which a certified child care provider must have a child safety alarm if its driver and 6 passenger vehicle is used to transport children to and from the child care location and 2) penalties for correcting violations of these rules.

*The emergency rules need to be in effect in sufficient time to allow certified providers to meet them on the effective date of the remainder of this bill which is the first day of the 12 month after publication.

*A minimum of six months prior to the effective date of the emergency rules is needed to implement this requirement through the counties who certify these providers.

* The bill provides a grace period of two months (effective first day of third month) to have the child safety alarms installed after the effective day of this bill (excluding the rules section).

*Drafting the child care certified providers rules is part of the normal workload of the department.

*Although not a certification requirement, counties would determine the need for a child safety alarm at the time of initial certification or subsequent recertification.

*Certified and DHFS licensed provides will be notified by inserts with their subsidy checks at minimal additional costs.

*There are approximately 4700 certified child care providers who are recertified every 24 months and approximately 1149 new certified providers annually.

*The most likely certified providers who would have vehicles that can transport a driver and 6 passengers are those certified for 5 or more children. As of August 2005 there were 749 certified providers caring for 5 or more children.

* Assuming an equal number of child care providers are recertified each month, the counties would have completed a review of the need for a child safety alarm at the time of recertification (6 months plus 2 months grace) for 250 of the 749 currently certified providers.

*The remaining providers who are not yet recertified and who are most likely to have such vehicles and transport children to and from the certified provider are the remaining 499 currently certified providers with 5 or more children.

*It is assumed that counties will contact these 499 providers by phone or mail to 1) determine if the certified provider provides any transportation to/from child care and the vehicle size to determine if a child safety alarm is required. To avoid a loss of certified providers those required to have a child safety alarm would be asked to certify in writing that they have one. Later, at the time of recertification, the county would inspect those vehicles to assure they have child safety alarms. If not installed, the counties would need to impose penalties per the DWD emergency or final rules through due process.

* Prior to the ending of the grace period under the bill the additional recertifying county cost of determining if a provider must provide a child safety alarm is one minute. The counties will be recertifying 4700 current providers and certifying 1149 new providers at about \$.50 per provider for a total cost of \$2925.

*For the 250 certified providers with 5 or more children recertified prior to the ending of the grace period after the bill goes into effect, assuming all were required to have child safety sirens, it would take average of 5 additional minutes to inspect the vehicle and ensure the safety alarm is working for a cost of approximately \$625 the first year.

*For the 499 certified providers with 5 or more children not recertified prior to the ending of the grace period after the bill goes into effect, the phone or mail process would take an average of three minutes to verify if safety sirens were needed at a maximum cost of \$750 for the first year.

* For subsequent years the maximum cost for the half of the providers recertified every year with 5 or more children is a five minutes inspection for a maximum cost of \$936.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2005 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
\$2925 for new providers and recertified providers the first 8 months, \$625 to inspect vehicles of those most likely to have a vehicle for a drive and at least 6 passengers, and \$750 to verify by phone the status and need for a child safety alarm of those providers with at least 5 children for a total of \$4300.			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$936
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$	\$
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