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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR:	Taylor, J.P.	DATE TYPED:	03/12/01	HB	HM 22
SHORT TITLE: Treatment Foster Car		e		SB	
	ANALYST:				Chabot

APPROPRIATION

Appropriation	on Contained	Estimated Additional Impact		Recurring	Fund
FY01	FY02	FY01	FY02	or Non-Rec	Affected
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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

A memorial resolving that the Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD) make substantial efforts to represent the abused and neglected children in its custody, particularly in efforts to ensure that medicaid managed care provides adequate behavioral health care, especially treatment foster care, to permit these children to recover from their traumatic experience and become healthy, productive citizens.

Significant Issues

The Citizens Review Board in its Year 2001 report finds that there is a lack of behavioral health services for children in need of treatment foster care. This, coupled with a high turnover in social workers assigned to cases, causes incomplete treatment plans that compound problems within medicaid managed care. As the agency responsible for ensuring that children that have been referred to their agency receive proper care and treatment, CYFD is asked to improve their efforts in the area of treatment foster care.

PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS

Improved performance in this area is in part reflected in the CYFD performance measure relating to social worker turnover rates.

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CYFD will have to determine methods for analyzing the problems in behavioral health medicaid managed care for treatment foster care and work with the Human Services Department to improve services.

RELATIONSHIP

This memorial is in part related to issues raised in SB 641.

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