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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

SPONSOR Jaramillo, T/Chavez LAST UPDATED _____
ORIGINAL DATE 2/20/2023
BILL _____
SHORT TITLE Domestic Violence Victim Support Services NUMBER House Bill 457
ANALYST Chenier

APPROPRIATION* (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY23	FY24		
	\$3,100.0	Recurring	General Fund

Parentheses () indicate expenditure decreases.

*Amounts reflect most recent analysis of this legislation.

Sources of Information

LFC Files

Responses Received From

Children, Youth and Families Department (CYFD)

SUMMARY

Synopsis of House Bill 457

House Bill 457 appropriates \$3.1 million from the general fund to CYFD for supportive services for victims of domestic violence.

This bill does not contain an effective date and, as a result, would go into effect June 16, 2023, (90 days after the Legislature adjourns) if signed into law.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

The appropriation of \$3.1 million contained in this bill is a recurring expense to the general fund. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at the end of FY24 shall revert to the general fund.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

CYFD has performance measures concerning domestic violence services, which will be positively affected by this bill. The turnover of survivor service organization staff doubled during the pandemic, and, although turnover has since decreased, it has not returned to pre-pandemic

levels. Reducing turnover, stabilizing the front-line workforce, and retaining experienced advocates would positively impact outcomes for survivors of domestic violence, as well as support CYFD performance measures.

CYFD said the state anticipates a loss of approximately \$3 million in 2024 from the federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) fund, managed through the Crime Victims Reparation Commission (CVRC). This appropriation will help maintain the state's overall capacity to support and serve survivors of domestic violence.

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