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**AGENCY BILL ANALYSIS  
2024 REGULAR SESSION**

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**SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION**

*{Indicate if analysis is on an original bill, amendment, substitute or a correction of a previous bill}*

Check all that apply:

Original  Amendment   
Correction  Substitute

Date Jan 18

Bill No: SB030

Sponsor: Sen Padilla  
Short Fostering Connections  
Title: Expanding Eligibility

Agency Name and Code CYFD / 690  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**SECTION II: FISCAL IMPACT**

**APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)**

Appropriation		Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25		
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(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

**REVENUE (dollars in thousands)**

Estimated Revenue			Recurring or Nonrecurring	Fund Affected
FY24	FY25	FY26		

(Parenthesis ( ) Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

**ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL OPERATING BUDGET IMPACT (dollars in thousands)**

	<b>FY24</b>	<b>FY25</b>	<b>FY26</b>	<b>3 Year Total Cost</b>	<b>Recurring or Nonrecurring</b>	<b>Fund Affected</b>
<b>Total</b>						

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Duplicates/Conflicts with/Companion to/Relates to:  
Duplicates/Relates to Appropriation in the General Appropriation Act

**SECTION III: NARRATIVE**

**BILL SUMMARY**

Synopsis: This bill removes the current requirement in statute that an eligible youth must be adjudicated pursuant to the Children’s Code or tribal law prior to being eligible for CYFD’s Fostering Connections Program. This change expands the eligibility to include youth who were either in CYFD custody or under a voluntary placement agreement.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

There is no appropriation contained within this bill. There are no fiscal implications for CYFD. As Extended Foster Care is already in place, CYFD is able to draw down federal IV-E funds to cover costs associated with an expanded service population; and state general funds are already contained within CYFD’s budget to cover any costs associated with clients who are not IV-E eligible.

**SIGNIFICANT ISSUES**

This bill furthers CYFD’s mission to meet the needs of, and provide support to, all youth who age out of foster care, by adding the on average ten (10) young people per year who do not currently qualify for the Fostering Connections Program in its current form.

**PERFORMANCE IMPLICATIONS**

CYFD has performance measures concerning the well-being of young people which will be positively impacted by this bill.

**ADMINISTRATIVE IMPLICATIONS**

Any additional administrative implications will be absorbed by existing resources.

**CONFLICT, DUPLICATION, COMPANIONSHIP, RELATIONSHIP**

None identified.

**TECHNICAL ISSUES**

None identified.

**OTHER SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES**

None identified.

**ALTERNATIVES**

None proposed.

**WHAT WILL BE THE CONSEQUENCES OF NOT ENACTING THIS BILL**

Status quo.

**AMENDMENTS**

None proposed.