

HOUSE BILL 497

Introduced by Smith

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1 House BILL NO. 497  
2 INTRODUCED BY Smith  
3 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT  
4 OF FAMILY SERVICES  
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6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CLARIFYING THE  
7 FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY  
8 SERVICES FOR ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF THE PROVISION OF  
9 PROTECTIVE SERVICES; AMENDING SECTION 52-1-110, MCA; AND  
10 PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."  
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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

13 **Section 1.** Section 52-1-110, MCA, is amended to read:

14 "52-1-110. County contribution for salaries and travel  
15 of protective services employees. (1) ~~Upon--transfer-of~~  
16 ~~certain-functions-of-the-county-welfare--department--to--the~~  
17 ~~department--of--family--services--as-provided-in-section-127~~  
18 ~~Chapter-6097-laws-of--1987--the~~ The salaries and travel  
19 expenses, as provided in 2-18-501 through 2-18-503, of  
20 protective services employees must be paid by the department  
21 of family services. The board of county commissioners shall  
22 reimburse the department of family services from county poor  
23 funds in an amount equal to that county's expenditures for  
24 salaries, travel expenses, and indirect costs of protective  
25 services employees in fiscal year 1987, adjusted for annual

1 inflation.

2 (2) On or before the 20th day of the month following  
3 the month for which payments were made for protective  
4 services employees' salaries, travel, and indirect costs,  
5 the department of family services shall present to the board  
6 of county commissioners a claim for the required  
7 reimbursement. The board of county commissioners shall make  
8 such the reimbursement within 20 days after the presentation  
9 of the claim.

10 (3) The department is responsible for administrative  
11 costs associated with the department's provision of  
12 protective services, including costs for rent, telephones,  
13 postage, and equipment."

14 **NEW SECTION. Section 2.** Effective date. [This act] is  
15 effective July 1, 1993.

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## STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB0497, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: This bill clarifies the financial responsibility of the Department of Family Services (DFS) for administrative costs related to protective services.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. There would be no new revenue generated by this bill.
2. The assumptions are based on a survey that DFS conducted of the county costs in non-assumed counties. Eleven counties responded, and the results were generalized to the 44 non-assumed counties.
3. The equipment would be for the original start up costs for the department employees instead of using county equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT:Expenditures:

	FY 94			FY 95		
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Operating Costs	0	545,092	545,092	0	532,852	532,852
Equipment	0	145,800	145,800	0	0	0
Total	0	690,892	690,892	0	532,852	532,852

Funding:

General Fund	0	587,258	587,258	0	452,924	452,924
Federal Fund	0	103,634	103,634	0	79,928	79,928
Total	0	690,892	690,892	0	532,852	532,852

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

County budgets would reflect a savings equal to at least the operating costs increase in DFS financial obligation.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

Coordinate with HB427 to reduce impact if both bills are passing.

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