

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2527 - HB 2691

March 2, 2000

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires the Department of Human Services to establish a system to evaluate all licensed child care centers and other centers that receive reimbursement from the department. The Tennessee Commission on Children and Youth is to assist the department in creating the evaluation system. The system would include an annual report card that would be posted at each child care facility. The report card is to reflect indicators of performance among all child care facilities such as health and safety, training, education and credentials of all supervisory staff, staffing ratios, child development and enrichment, accreditation status and adequacy of physical facilities. Day care centers providing services for DHS reimbursement are required to report annually to the department and those receiving over \$50,000 per year are required to have annual audits.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase State Expenditures - \$55,800 Recurring
\$5,500 One-Time**

Assumes a need for one staff person and associated expenses in the Department of Education to produce the annual report card for agencies that are regulated by DOE. The Department of Human Services states that they can accommodate the bill with existing staff.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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