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Child Protective Services

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4. CPS Recommendations in House Bill 1, Introduced (HB1)

CPS

CPS provides services and support to children and families in the home or through placements with kin, in foster or adoptive homes.

CPS caseworkers and staff work to find a permanent placement for a child that allows the child to return to normalcy.

CPS Process

Statewide Intake

Does Not Meet Definition of Abuse or Neglect

Investigations

Not Opened for Service

Family Based Safety Services

Substitute Care/Conservatorship

Foster Care

Kinship Care

Adoptive Homes

Independent Living

Other

How Funding Aligns to the CPS Process

Foster Care

B.1.9, Foster Care Payments
B.1.12, Community-based Care Payments

Kinship Care

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B.1.11, Relative Caregiver Payments

Adoptive Homes

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Other

Strategies Supporting CPS Functions

B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff
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B.1.3, TWC Contracted Day Care
B.1.7, Substance Abuse Purchased Services
B.1.8, Other CPS Purchased Services

CPS Recommendations Included in HB 1

In Millions	2018-19 Base	HB 1	Biennial Difference
General Revenue Funds	\$2,032.8	\$2,077.8	\$45.1
Federal Funds	\$1,516.8	\$1,613.0	\$96.2
Other Funds	\$11.5	\$11.9	\$0.4
All Funds	\$3,561.0	\$3,702.7	\$141.7
<i>FTEs (FY 2019 and 2021)</i>	<i>10,344.6</i>	<i>10,555.0</i>	<i>210.4</i>

CPS Recommendations Included in HB 1 (All Funds)

Highlights for CPS Programs:

- \$1,478.1 million in Strategy B.1.1, CPS Direct Delivery Staff and provides an increase of \$33.0 million for an additional 491.6 FTEs in fiscal year 2020 and 625.6 FTEs in fiscal year 2021 to maintain certain caseload ratios.
 - CPS caseworkers and related staff work to find placements for children entering state conservatorship. They continue to work with children to ensure safety and that services are provided.
- \$197.5 million for purchased day care services in Strategy B.1.3, TWC Contracted Day Care and reflects an increase of \$15.3 million to maintain a full biennium of rate increases and projected caseload growth.
 - Services are provided to children who are 6 years old or under, or older than 13 with a disability. If a child is placed outside the home, the caregiver must work at least 40 hours per week.
 - Children may be placed in protective, foster or relative day care depending on their placement.

CPS Recommendations Included in HB 1 (All Funds)

- \$779.1 million in Strategy B.1.9, Foster Care Payments and \$326.3 million in new Strategy B.1.12, Community-based Care Payments.
 - Increase of \$22.0 million in foster care payments primarily due to caseload growth and increased network support payments and includes \$4.3 million for temporary emergency placements.
 - New Strategy B.1.12, Community-based Care Payments identifies foster care and resource transfer (case management) costs related to outsourcing to a Single Source Continuum Contractor (SSCC) for each region as authorized by Senate Bill 11, Eighty-fifth Legislature, Regular Session, 2017. The SSCC is responsible for placements and providing services to children in state care. This strategy also includes funding for start-up costs and network support payments.
 - Network support payments include capacity development, community engagement networks and IT requirements.
 - Community-based Care is currently in Regions 3B, 2 and 8A. No additional regions are assumed in HB 1.

CPS Recommendations Included in HB 1 (All Funds)

- \$612.4 million in Strategy B.1.10, Adoption Subsidies and Permanency Care Assistance Payments which is an increase of \$48.6 million primarily due to projected caseload growth.
 - Funding supports services to families to adjust to adoption or permanency care including counseling, training and financial assistance.
- \$80.6 million in Strategy B.1.11, Relative Caregiver Monetary Assistance Payments
 - Reflects an increase of \$7.7 million due to projected caseload growth.
 - Funding provides financial support to kinship caregivers who are providing a permanent home for a child.



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