

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS25582

This is the trailer appropriation bill for H43, which allows for the Department of Health and Welfare to provide services for children that are diagnosed with a serious and emotional disorder (SED) to receive services through Medicaid instead of through the Children's Mental Health Program.

FISCAL NOTE

For the Department of Health and Welfare, Children's Mental Health Program, this bill appropriates an additional 7.00 FTP, \$543,900 in personnel costs, \$500,000 in operating expenditures with half being provided from the General Fund and half from federal funds. This bill also includes a General Fund reduction of \$1,181,600 in trustee and benefit payments. The net impact is a reduction of \$659,600 in the General Fund and an increase of \$521,900 in federal funds for a total reduction of \$137,700.

For the Division of Medicaid, this bill includes legislative intent language that requires the department to implement cost-sharing as allowed for in Section 56-257, Idaho Code, for the children associated with passage of H43. Funding for the Division of Medicaid exists within the fiscal year 2018 Original Appropriation, in Senate Bill No. 1174.

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