

# FISCAL NOTE

H.B. 156 1st Sub. (Buff)

SHORT TITLE: Restoration of Terminated Parental Rights

SPONSOR: Christensen, L. (Weiler, T. Sub.)

2013 GENERAL SESSION

## STATE GOVERNMENT (UCA 36-12-13(2)(b))

Enactment of this bill will create additional workload and associated total ongoing costs of \$92,300 from the General Fund for the following agencies beginning in FY 2014:

1. Courts - \$22,500 - for processing hearings,
2. Attorney General - \$29,200 - for attorney representation, and
3. Guardian ad Litem (GAL) - \$10,600 - for attorney representation, and
4. Division of Child and Family Services (DCFS) - \$30,000 - for evaluations.

Also, this may cost an additional \$92,300 (Courts:\$22,500; Attorney General: \$29,200; GAL: \$10,600; DCFS: 30,000) one-time from the General Fund for expected workload increases in the first year.

To the extent the Court rules that a child be restored to the original parent(s), DCFS will save about \$87 per day, of which \$69 is from the General Fund and \$18 are federal funds (\$31,700 per year - \$25,000 General Fund, \$6,700 federal funds).

There is a potential loss of federal funds on individual cases however the total amount cannot be determined at this time.

## STATE BUDGET DETAIL TABLE

	FY 2013	FY 2014	FY 2015
Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditure:			
General Fund	\$0	\$92,300	\$92,300
General Fund, One-Time	\$0	\$92,300	\$0
Total Expenditure	\$0	\$184,600	\$92,300
Net Impact, All Funds (Rev.-Exp.)	\$0	(\$184,600)	(\$92,300)
Net Impact, General/Education Funds	\$0	(\$184,600)	(\$92,300)

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## LOCAL GOVERNMENTS (UCA 36-12-13(2)(c))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

## DIRECT EXPENDITURES BY UTAH RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES (UCA 36-12-13(2)(d))

Enactment of this bill likely will not result in direct, measurable expenditures by Utah residents or businesses.

## PERFORMANCE NOTE (JR 4-2-404): Not Required