



# HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

## FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 875

PRINTERS NO. 1426

PRIME SPONSOR: Baker

### COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2014/15	FY 2015/16
General Fund	\$0	\$0

**SUMMARY:** House Bill 875, Printer's Number 1426, amends the Public Welfare Code regarding medical support from noncustodial parents. This legislation is effective in 60 days.

**ANALYSIS:** This legislation requires all applicants and recipients, as a condition of eligibility, to cooperate with the Department of Human Services (DHS) in securing medical support from the noncustodial parent of any child for whom medical assistance is sought or provided. This requirement does not apply if the custodial parent is a victim of domestic violence perpetrated by the noncustodial parent or if it would endanger the well-being of a child by interrupting the child's continuity of medical care.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** While the Public Welfare Code does not currently require noncustodial parents to provide medical support for their children as a condition of eligibility for the child, this requirement is included under Title 23, Section 4380(b)(1), which addresses cooperation requirements for support matters. Therefore, this legislation will have no adverse impact on Commonwealth funds.

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*Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.*