



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

HOUSE BILL NO. 1020

PRINTER'S NO. 1264

PRIME SPONSOR: Mehaffie

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2022/23	FY 2023/24
General Fund	\$0	\$0

SUMMARY:

This bill allows each certified childcare provider participating in the Keystone STARS program to include information to parents or guardian on their STAR level rating and requires the Department of Human Services to establish a Keystone STARS rubric and provide guidance to childcare providers on the way to move up in the STARS level rating based on this rubric.

ANALYSIS:

The bill allows each certified childcare provider participating in the Keystone STARS program to include on their website or provide this information in writing to parents and guardians, that childcare provider's STAR level rating and the Department of Human Services website information for the Keystone STARS program. These childcare providers may also obtain and post a placard with their STARS level rating.

The department will issue placards to each childcare provider participating in the Keystone STARS program that contains the following information:

- Name of the certified childcare provider,
- Name of the department,
- The date that placard was issued,
- The number of STARS that the certified childcare provider has received, and
- The address, telephone number, website and email for the Keystone STARS program.

HB1020 also requires the department to establish a Keystone STARS level rating methodology and provide guidance on how to move up the STAR level rating based on that methodology.

This legislation takes effect in 180 days.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This legislation has no fiscal impact. The Department of Human Services may have increased costs from providing the required placards and preparing and issuing guidance to the participating providers on the ways to move up in the STAR rating based on the established methodology. However, the department can most likely cover any cost increases in their current appropriations as many of the certified childcare providers already participate in the Keystone STARS program and have a STARS level rating.

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