

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE FISCAL NOTE

BILL NO. Senate Bill 23

PRINTER'S NO. 1428

AMOUNT

No Significant Fiscal Impact

FUND

General Fund

DATE INTRODUCED

March 15, 2013

PRIME SPONSOR

Senator Baker

HISTORY OF BILL

Referred to AGING AND YOUTH, March 15, 2013
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First consideration, Sept. 24, 2013
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Re-reported as amended, Oct. 1, 2013

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF BILL

Senate Bill 23 amends Title 23 (Domestic Relations) and definition of perpetrator and person responsible for the child's welfare.

Amends the definition of "perpetrator" in the Child Protective Services Law by:

- Only the following may be considered perpetrators for acts of commission:
 - A parent of the child
 - A spouse or former spouse of the child's parent
 - A person 14 years of age or older and responsible for the child's welfare
 - An individual who is 14 years of age or older who resides in the same home as the child
 - An individual 18 years of age or older who does not reside in the same home as the child but is related within the third degree of consanguinity or affinity by birth or adoption to the child or the spouse, former spouse, paramour or former paramour of the child's parent

- Only the following may be considered perpetrators for failing to act:
 - A parent of the child
 - A spouse of former spouse of the child's parent
 - A person 18 years of age or older and responsible for the child's welfare
 - A person 18 years of age or older who resides in the same home as the child

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This act shall take effect on January 1, 2014.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 23 will have no significant fiscal impact to the Commonwealth.