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The Division of Purchasing and General Services will require two additional FTEs and computer equipment to ensure compliance on the 7,000 contracts managed by the division. Assuming contractors will pass along expenses to the States, DFCM estimates approximately \$3,000,000 in additional costs for State construction projects. The Department of Human Services estimates their providers' cost of current services would increase by over \$4 million. Public Education has estimated the cost of contract services to increase by about \$4.2 million. The higher costs may result in the State contracting for less services and projects.

	<u>FY 00 Approp.</u>	<u>FY 01 Approp.</u>	FY 00 Revenue	FY 01 Revenue
General Fund	\$75,900	\$67,900	\$0	\$0
TOTAL	\$75,900	\$67,900	\$0	\$0

Individual and Business Impact

Contractors for Public Education entities will have to pay approximately \$4.2 million in new benefits, which will likely be passed along to the State. Small businesses can expect to pay between \$90 and \$100 per employee per month, even for part time workers. Many employees now without health insurance would benefit from this bill. The bill does not specify if the employer can share the burden with the employee.

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