



Fiscal Note

H.B. 129

2024 General Session
 Child Support Requirements
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General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$(1,256,000)	\$(206,300)	\$(1,462,300)

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Dedicated Credits Revenue	\$(228,700)	\$(1,350,000)	\$(1,350,000)
Expendable Receipts	\$(51,000)	\$(306,000)	\$(306,000)
Total Revenues	\$(279,700)	\$(1,656,000)	\$(1,656,000)

To the extent that enactment of this legislation reduced child support revenues and related federal IV-E entitlement grant funding, enactment of this legislation could decrease dedicated credits for the Division of Child and Family Services by (\$192,000) one-time in FY 2024 and (\$1,150,000) ongoing in FY 2025 and decrease expendable credits from federal funds for the Division of Child and Family Services by (\$51,000) one-time in FY 2024 and (\$306,000) ongoing in FY 2025 for the reduction in child support revenues. Additionally, enactment of this legislation could reduce dedicated credits for the Attorney General's Office by (\$36,700) one-time in FY 2024 and (\$200,000) ongoing in FY 2025 for no longer representing DCFS in child support cases.

Expenditures	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
General Fund	\$0	\$1,256,000	\$1,256,000
General Fund, One-time	\$206,300	\$0	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$206,300	\$1,256,000	\$1,256,000

To the extent that enactment of this legislation did not reduce services for children in DCFS custody, enactment of this legislation could increase costs to the Division of Child and Family Services by \$243,000 one-time from the General Fund in FY 2024 and \$1,456,000 ongoing from the General Fund in FY 2025 to provide services for children in state custody and offset the reductions in child support revenue. Additionally, enactment of this legislation could reduce costs for the Division of Child and Family Services by (\$36,700) one-time in FY 2024 from the General Fund and by (\$200,000) ongoing in FY 2025 from the General Fund for Attorney General representation in child support cases.

	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026
Net All Funds	\$(486,000)	\$(2,912,000)	\$(2,912,000)

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

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

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

To the extent that parents or other obligated individuals for a child in DCFS custody are no longer required to pay child support, enactment of this legislation could decrease child support payments for these individuals by approximately (\$192,000) one-time in FY 2024 and (\$1,150,000) ongoing in FY 2025.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not change the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill does not create a new program or significantly expand an existing program.

Notes on Notes

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