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Bill Number:	H.3509 Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author:	Fry
Subject:	Extension of Foster Care
Requestor:	House Judiciary
RFA Analyst(s):	Payne and Gardner
Impact Date:	February 9, 2021

## **Fiscal Impact Summary**

The fiscal impact of this bill is pending, contingent upon responses from DSS and the Administrative Law Court.

## **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

## Introduced on January 12, 2021 State Expenditure

This bill establishes the procedures for an extended foster care program for individuals under the age of twenty-one who are, or were, in the legal custody of DSS on their eighteenth birthday. To be eligible, an individual must also be enrolled in a post-secondary, vocational, or employment barrier educational program, employed at least eighty hours a week, or incapable of performing one of these activities due to a physical, intellectual, emotional, or psychiatric condition that limits participation. An individual who wishes to participate in the foster care extension program may authorize such in writing with DSS prior to their eighteenth birthday, at which time the department shall begin the process to have the placement approved by the family court.

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**State Revenue** N/A

**Local Expenditure** N/A

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