

Subject Parental fees for cost of care

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Overview

Under current law, when legal custody of a child is transferred to a local social services agency or to a person under the agency's supervision, courts and local social services agencies may require parents to use income and resources attributable to the child and, in some circumstances, the parents to reimburse the county for the cost of care, examination, or treatment for the child.

This bill removes provisions allowing for such reimbursement by a child's parents, and prohibits the court from ordering and the local social services agency from requiring parents to reimburse the county for the cost of care, examination, or treatment. The bill also removes parental responsibility for the cost of care for children receiving services in state-operated services and nursing homes, through the behavioral health fund, or through medical assistance.

Summary

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| 1 | Parental responsibility. Amends § 252.27, subd. 2. Adds paragraph to remove parental or guardian responsibility for the cost of care for children receiving services in state-operated services and nursing homes, through the behavioral health fund, or through medical assistance, for parents or guardians who live in Minnesota. |
| 2 | Care, examination, or treatment. Amends § 260B.331, subd. 1. For delinquency cases, removes provisions allowing for parental reimbursement of costs for care, examination, or treatment; prohibits a court or local social services agency from requiring such parental contributions. |
| 3 | Care, examination, or treatment. Amends § 260C.331, subd. 1. For other out-of-home placement cases, removes provisions allowing for parental reimbursement of costs for care, examination, or |

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| | treatment; prohibits a court or local social services agency from requiring such parental contributions. |
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