

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS.

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Summary of Amendments Made to the Bill After the 04/03/01 Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note was Prepared (Amended by the Judiciary Committee 01/24/01)

The bill has not been amended since the Revised Legislative Council Fiscal Note of 04/03/01 was prepared.

JBC Staff Concurrence with Legislative Council Fiscal Note

Concurs **Does Not Concur** **Updated**

Amendments/Appropriation Status

The bill requires criminal background checks be conducted on child care providers licensed pursuant to state law and also encourages further development of the Criminal Justice Information System (CICJIS). The bill does not have an appropriation clause. Staff has prepared **J.001** which reflects the fiscal impact as indicated in the Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note of April 4, 2001.

Sponsor Amendments

Staff is not aware of any sponsor amendments.

Questions and Concerns

1. The Long Bill, as introduced, fully expends the amount of General Fund moneys available under the Arveschoug-Bird six percent limit on growth in the total State General Fund appropriation. Consequently, passage of this bill with a General Fund appropriation will result in the State exceeding the six percent General Fund limit.
2. Unlike most sources of federal funds, the General Assembly does have the authority to appropriate federal Child Care Development Funds. If the Committee adopts staff amendment J.001, the bill will include an appropriation of \$998,127 federal Child Care

Development Funds to the Department of Human Services for the Child Care Assistance Program. **It is anticipated that a total of \$62.2 million federal Child Care Development Funds will be available to Colorado in FY 2001-02**, including \$52.8 million in new block grant funds and \$9.4 million rolled forward from previous block grants. **The FY 2001-02 Long Bill (S.B. 01-212), as introduced, includes only \$49.6 million in appropriations from federal Child Care Development Funds:**

Child Care Licensing and Administration	\$ 2,834,096
Child Care Assistance Program	40,455,810
Child Care Grants	5,386,774
Pilot Program for Community Consolidated Child Care Services	<u>972,438</u>
Total Long Bill Appropriations	49,649,118

Thus, if J.001 is adopted, the amount of federal Child Care Development Funds anticipated to be rolled forward to FY 2002-03 would be reduced from \$12.6 million to \$11.6 million.