BILL SUMMARY

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Bill Summary

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The measure requires a person who has reason to believe that a vulnerable adult is being abused, neglected or exploited to report it to both the Department of Human Services and local law enforcement and to preserve any evidence of the abuse or neglect.

Fiscal Summary

Fiscal Analyst: David Ligon

HB 1627 amends 43A OS 10-104 to require reporting of abuse, neglect and exploitation of a vulnerable adult to law enforcement and Department of Human Services (DHS) and the preservation of any evidence by the person making the report. Section 2 of the bill amends 63 OS 1-1939 to require nursing home facilities to report serious incidents to local law enforcement, in addition to the report to DHS.

Fiscal Analysis

According to DHS, the agency already receives these reports; this bill requires that law enforcement also receives the reports. State agencies would not have a fiscal impact related to this bill, though nursing home facilities would have some minimal fiscal impact related to the bill, though it is impossible to determine since based on serious incident reports that vary from year to year for a given facility.

Long Term Fiscal Considerations

None

Fiscal Analysis Reviewed By:

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