
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2023 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB6001 (Chapter 1)

Bill Order » Office of Health and Human Resources » Item 285

Children's Services Act

Item 285	First Year - FY2023	Second Year - FY2024
Administrative and Support Services (49900)	\$2,739,989	\$2,700,324
General Management and Direction (49901)	\$2,739,989	\$2,700,324
Fund Sources:		
General	\$2,739,989	\$2,700,324

Authority: Title 2.2, Chapter 26, Code of Virginia.

A. The Office of Children's Services may enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Department of Social Services for the provision of routine administrative support services.

B. *Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the Office of Children's Services for a contract to assist in implementing rate setting for private day special education rates. The Office of Children's Services shall use the first year funding to develop a fiscal impact estimate of the rate changes on expenditures for private day special education services. The Office of Children's Services shall implement statewide rates for private day special education services effective July 1, 2023. Out of this appropriation, \$100,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Office of Children's Services (OCS) to contract with the Virginia Department of Education's Office of Special Education to conduct a review of private day placement decisions in those localities with higher than average placements and make recommendations to the local education agency. OCS shall, on its website by October 1 of each year, (i) show the number of students in private day placements by locality; (ii) calculate the ratio of children in private day placements to the number of students in the local education agency (LEA); and (iii) identify the LEAs that exceed the statewide average of private day placements compared to the LEA's enrollment.*

C. The Office of Children's Services shall collect annually from each local Children's Services Act program the number of program staff by full- and part-time status and the administrative budget broken out by state and local funding to understand local program resources and target technical assistance to the most under-sourced local programs.