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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6223
BILL NUMBER: HB 1026

DATE PREPARED: Nov 10, 1998
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Joint custody.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: No Fiscal Impact

Summary of Legislation: This bill requires a court to consider whether joint legal or physical custody, or both, would be in the best interests of the child whenever the court determines child custody in dissolution of marriage cases. The bill requires the court to consider certain relevant factors when making the joint custody determination. It requires the court to order joint legal or physical custody, or both, whenever the court finds that the award would be in the best interests of the child. (Under current law, it is optional whether a court considers an award of joint custody.)

Effective Date: July 1, 1999.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: