

SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COUNCIL

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FISCAL NOTE 2008-HB1102a

HB 1102 provide for a statewide visitation enforcement program and to provide for its funding by making an appropriation therefor.

House Bill 1102 is an act to provide for a statewide visitation enforcement program and to provide for its funding by making an appropriation. This bill is effective on July 1, 2009 and has a reversion date of June 30, 2012.

House Bill 1102 would require the Unified Judicial System (UJS) to create a statewide visitation enforcement program to assist parents in resolving visitation issues and disputes among parents and custodians of minor children.

House Bill 1102 provides a general fund appropriation in the amount of \$210,000 to the Unified Judicial System to be used in establishing and funding the visitation enforcement program. Typically, LRC is not asked to prepare fiscal notes on appropriations measures because the fiscal impact is limited to the appropriations amount absent further action of the legislature. Therefore, the fiscal impact of this act in its current form is \$210,000, the total amount of appropriation authorized for the program.¹

APPROVED BY: _____ Signed By: Jim Fry - LRC Director _____ DATE: 1/31/08

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This fiscal note was prepared in consultation with the Bureau of Finance and Management (BFM), pursuant to Chapter 6C of the Joint Rules of the Legislature. The UJS was also consulted. BFM and UJS have concluded that the appropriation amount in this bill does not reflect the total fiscal impact of implementing and operating the visitation enforcement program up to the reversion date that is placed on the amount appropriated. BFM believes that the actual cost of this program may eventually be as much as \$3,717,329 with an additional 11.7 FTEs required over the program period, assuming additional appropriations are made by the legislature in the future. This is based on the estimate provided by UJS to create and operate the program over a four-year period which includes FY2009 through FY2012.