

SOUTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COUNCIL

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SB 8 provide for a statewide resource information system.

SB 8 directs the Department of Social Services to support each county in developing and maintaining a statewide centralized resource information system, which must be accredited by the Alliance of Information and Referral Systems (AIRS).

Fiscal Impact to State Agencies and Political Subdivisions

SB 8 directs the Department of Social Services (DSS) to support each county in developing and maintaining a statewide centralized resource information system. It is estimated that DSS would utilize approximately one-tenth of a full-time equivalent employee to administer a contractual agreement for a statewide resource information system. The estimated cost of administration would be \$6,500 per year. The \$6,500 would be an opportunity cost that would be absorbed into DSS' existing budget; therefore, no additional funding would be needed. It is estimated there would be a minimal cost, if any, to political subdivisions.

Centralized Resource Information System

Currently, there is one agency in South Dakota that is accredited by AIRS. The cost for AIRS accreditation is \$6,000 for members or \$9,000 for non-members for initial accreditation and renewal. AIRS accreditation lasts for five years, then renewal is required.

Based on data provided by the AIRS accredited agency, to expand services statewide for the current resource information system, it is estimated the first-year cost would range from a minimum of \$644,269 to a maximum of \$881,763, depending on employee salaries and benefits. It is estimated the annual, ongoing cost would be \$747,016. Annual, ongoing costs do not include inflation or expansion estimates.

	Year 1 Minimum	Year 1 Maximum	Ongoing
Accredited Agency Costs			
Staff and Benefits	\$ 534,269	\$ 771,763	\$ 653,016
Equipment & Software	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000	\$ 24,000
Materials	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000	\$ 35,000
Training	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Travel	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Telephone Charges/Supplies	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
Insurance/Fees	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
Total	\$ 644,269	\$ 881,763	\$ 747,016

SB 8 does not specify from which source these costs would be paid.

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