

Department for Children, Youth and Families

Back Up Material for Budget Amendment for Raise the Age Secure Detention

The Department for Children, Youth and Families respectfully requests legislative authorization to amend the 2023 Adopted Budget for costs associated with Raise the Age (RTA) Secure Detention placements. The County has experienced costs greater than anticipated over the course of the 2023 fiscal year.

Budget Account A6119.44402R is used to pay for costs associated with the RTA placements for Secure Detention. Currently, we have approximately \$750,000 available for payments for the remainder of the fiscal year and anticipate the needs to be \$1,250,000. The requested budget amendment to increase this account by \$500,000 will provide sufficient funding to cover months remaining in the County's fiscal year.

The Department is requesting a transfer of funding from its Foster Care Voluntary line (A6119.44405R) to cover this expense. There is funding available in this RTA appropriation as we have not had any RTA voluntary placements requiring payments.