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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6485
BILL NUMBER: SB 484

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 6, 2011
BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Lupus Education and Awareness Program.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Lawson C
FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: This bill creates the Lupus Education and Awareness Program within the Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH). The bill provides that the purpose of the program is to raise public awareness and provide educational programs concerning lupus to health care providers, human services providers, and the public.

The ISDH is required to establish, promote and maintain the program working with a national lupus organization to raise public awareness. The program must: (1) raise awareness of lupus among minority and other at-risk populations; (2) provide training concerning lupus to healthcare providers on the most current and accurate scientific and medical information; (3) distribute medically sound health information material developed by a national lupus organization to specified entities; (4) support continuing medical education programs; (5) provide statewide workshops and seminars for professional development regarding the care and management of lupus; (6) develop and maintain a directory of lupus-related services and health care providers specializing in the diagnosis and treatment of lupus; and (7) disseminate the directory to families and individuals affected by lupus.

The Commissioner of ISDH is required to designate an individual to oversee the program and ensure that appropriate staffing is provided for the implementation of the program.

The bill allows the ISDH to use not more than \$2,500 in the state FY 2012, to distribute lupus educational materials to state health care clinics that serve a high percentage of minorities.

The bill allows the ISDH to accept grants, services, and property from the federal government or private entities to perform the requirements of the bill.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill requires the ISDH to appoint an individual to oversee the program and to provide appropriate staffing to implement the program. Assuming this program can be accommodated within the Chronic Disease Program, it is estimated that implementation of all the program parameters may require approximately \$141,000 annually. This cost estimate includes funds for two additional full-time positions plus a small amount of funding for professional contracts or grants. The ultimate state cost of the program will depend on the ability of the ISDH to qualify for ongoing private or federal grants and/or actions taken by the General Assembly.

The bill also allows the ISDH to use not more than \$2,500 in the state FY 2012 from appropriations made to ISDH, to distribute lupus educational materials to state health care clinics that serve a high percentage of minorities.

The bill ISDH may accept grants, services, and property from the federal government or private entities to implement the bill.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

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State Agencies Affected: Indiana State Department of Health.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Systemic Lupus Erythematosus on the Centers for Disease Control web site at: <http://www.cdc.gov/arthritis/basics/lupus.htm#>

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