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SB-2

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MENTAL, PHYSICAL AND
EMOTIONAL WELLNESS OF CHILDREN.

AMENDMENT

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OFA Fiscal Note

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The amendment makes various changes to SB 2, as amended by LCO 8214, which are detailed below.

1. It strikes **Sections 1, 3, 16, and 20** of the bill as amended, removing their associated anticipated fiscal impacts.
2. It strikes **Sections 10 - 11 and 21** of the bill as amended, removing their associated anticipated fiscal impacts, and replacing them with language that establishes the position of the Behavioral Health Advocate within the Office of the Healthcare Advocate. The position is anticipated to result in total Insurance Fund costs of \$128,000 in FY 24 and \$262,000 in FY 25, and annually thereafter. The estimate assumes the position would be filled after the advisory committee from Section 21 is formed, with a starting date of 1/1/2024, and a starting annualized salary of \$115,000 per year. The agency would also incur fringe benefit costs at an annualized starting rate of \$119,000 per year, and Other Expenses and Indirect Overhead costs together totaling \$22,000 per year (with half year costs in FY 24).
3. It adds **Section 501** at the end of the bill as amended, which

makes conforming changes related to the Behavioral Health Advocate position established in **Sections 10 and 11**.

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