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sHB-5315 AN ACT ESTABLISHING A FINANCIAL WELLNESS TRUST FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE TREASURER TO ESTABLISH A CENTER FOR FINANCIAL WELLNESS.

As Amended by House "A" (LCO 5336) House Calendar No.: 156

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Treasurer	Financial	See Below	See Below
	Wellness Trust		
	Fund - Potential		
	Cost/Revenue		

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which establishes the Financial Wellness Trust Fund (FWTF) and associated advisory committee and allows the Treasurer to establish the Center for Financial Wellness (CFW), results in potential costs and revenues to the Treasurer within the FWTF.

The bill does not provide a revenue source for the FWTF, but allows the fund to receive monies from various sources, including private gifts and endowments. The potential costs to the Treasurer are contingent upon the manifestation of revenues sufficient to establish and manage ongoing expenses of the CFW.

To the extent that revenues become available to support the fund, there is anticipated to be a one-time cost to the Treasurer within the FWTF of up to \$100,000 to establish the fund. Ongoing programmatic

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and personnel costs for the CFW are dependent on the levels of revenues received, either through the FWTF or from other sources as allowed. It is anticipated the CFW would only be established if the FWTF had sufficient resources to employ, at minimum, an executive director for the center.

House "A" alters the original bill by requiring that the FWTF Advisory Committee be staffed by the banking committee and has no fiscal impact.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to availability of resources within the FWTF.