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The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman  
Fiscal Committee of the General Court

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Economic and Housing Stability to accept and expend funds collected by the Bureau of Child Support Services in the amount of \$125,500, effective upon approval by the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council through June 30, 2021, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Other Funds.

**05-95-42-427010-79310000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS  
DEPT OF, HHS: HUMAN SERVICES, CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES, STATE DISBURMENT  
UNIT**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Requested Change	Revised Modified Budget
000-403955	Federal Funds	\$ 901,530	\$ -	\$ 901,530
009-403165	Other Funds - SDU Interest	\$ -	\$ 250	\$ 250
009-406846	Other Funds - DRA Fees	\$ -	\$ 125,250	\$ 125,250
	General Fund	\$ 464,425	\$ -	\$ 464,425
	Total Revenue	\$ 1,365,955	\$ 125,500	\$ 1,491,455
102-506223	Contracts for Program Services	\$ 1,365,955	\$ 125,500	\$ 1,491,455
	Total Expense	\$ 1,365,955	\$ 125,500	\$ 1,491,455

**EXPLANATION**

The State's Disbursement Unit (SDU) is a vendor-contracted lockbox operation located in Manchester, NH that receives, records, and disburses child support payments. The SDU is responsible for processing approximately \$80 million per year. The Bureau of Child Support Services is the IV-D Agency as defined as the single and separate organizational unit in the State that has the responsibility for supervising the administration of the State plan under the Child Support Enforcement Program. States are required by law to distribute all child support payments made payable to the IV-D agency through a single SDU. The State law also requires all child support wage garnishments initiated outside of the Child Support Program (Non IV-D) to be processed through the same SDU.

This request is to accept and expend the following collected by the State Disbursement Unit:

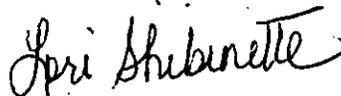
1. Deficit Reduction Act Fees - \$35 annual service fee from child support collected on behalf of all dependents who have never received public assistance (TANF).
2. Interest - Revenue earned monthly from funds passing through the SDU.

Historically these funds have been budgeted. The approved budget for FY 20 and FY21 did not include these funds. The funds will be budgeted in Class 102-Contracts for Program Services to offset the contract expense of the State Disbursement Unit.

Area served: Statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Other Funds.

Respectfully submitted,



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