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**STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT**  
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**Bill Number:** S. 0079 Introduced on January 8, 2019  
**Author:** Sheheen  
**Subject:** Child Protection and Permanency  
**Requestor:** Senate Judiciary  
**RFA Analyst(s):** Gallagher  
**Impact Date:** February 1, 2019

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### **Fiscal Impact Summary**

The bill does not have a fiscal impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds. This bill adds language that expands upon current definitions utilized by the Department of Social Services. Adding language that expands upon and clarifies these definitions does not operationally or fiscally impact the department.

### **Explanation of Fiscal Impact**

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##### **State Expenditure**

This bill amends Section 63-7-20(6) by providing exceptions to the definition of “child abuse or neglect” or “harm.” The Department of Social Services current policy defines child abuse, neglect and harm, and also defines a child as “a person under the age of eighteen.” This bill adds language that expands upon and clarifies these definitions. The bill does not operationally or fiscally impact the department, and does not have an expenditure impact on the General Fund, Other Funds, or Federal Funds.

##### **State Revenue**

N/A

##### **Local Expenditure**

N/A

##### **Local Revenue**

N/A

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Frank A. Rainwater, Executive Director