Agenda Action Form Overview

The Board is requested to reduce the child care budget by \$16,362,968 because Durham County has now been fully integrated into the State NC FAST system for child care. Moving forward Durham County will no longer issue child care payments as this is a state function. NC FAST includes a Provider Self Service Portal where providers accept children into their care, update rates for services and record attendance.

Background/Justification

North Carolina Families Accessing Services through Technology (NC FAST) is a program designed to improve the way the NC Department of Health and Human Services and county departments of social services do business. Durham County child care is fully integrated into NC FAST. Payments to providers are made through NC FAST.

Policy Impact

N/A

Procurement Background

N/A

Fiscal Impact

The department's budget will show a reduction of \$16,362,968 for child care subsidy. Child Care Providers will be paid by the state through NC FAST.

Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that the Board approve the Social Services budget reduction of \$16.3 million dollars for FY17-18 Child Care Subsidy.