General Assembly **Substitute Bill No. 5271**

February Session, 2026

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AN ACT REQUIRING THE OFFICE OF THE CHILD ADVOCATE TO HIRE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

Section 1. (*Effective July 1, 2026*) For the fiscal year ending June 30, 2027, the Office of the Child Advocate shall hire one or more full-time employees to assist in the evaluation of the delivery of services to children by state agencies and those entities that provide services to children through funds provided by the state.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	*July 1, 2026*	New section

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