Senate Fiscal Summary

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Senate Bill 885

Version: INT

Agency: Office of the Attorney General

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House Author:

FY'26 Impact: \$200,000 **Full Year Impact:** \$300,000

Bill Summary and Fiscal Analysis:

SB 885 would create the Safe Screens for Kids Act. The measure would prohibit any social media platform from allowing a minor to create or maintain an account on such platform without the written consent from the parent or legal guardian of the minor. The measure requires such platforms to perform reasonable age verification methods on each user. Such platforms shall be required to provide the parents or guardians of the minor with full access to the minor's account. Minor users' data must be de-identified and must be processed in a manner that is consistent with the best interests of each minor user. The measure prohibits the use of any algorithm or artificial intelligence to personalize content for the minor. Such platforms are also prohibited from using any feature or design on minor users to encourage compulsive use or exploit the vulnerabilities of such users. The Attorney General would be authorized to bring civil action against any social media platform in violation of these provisions. The Office of the Attorney General estimates a need for one additional attorney and one additional support staff FTE to implement and enforce these provisions.

Fiscal Impact provided by the Office of the Attorney General