

HOUSE BILL 1307

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Committee Report: Favorable with amendments

House action: Adopted

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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Children in Out-of-Home Placement – Annual Notice of Benefits**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Social Services Administration to provide a certain
4 child in out-of-home placement certain information at least once a year;
5 specifying the contents of the information; authorizing the Administration to
6 provide the information to the child at a certain hearing or by certified mail;
7 requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to submit a report on the
8 implementation of this Act to certain committees of the General Assembly by a
9 certain date; and generally relating to children in out-of-home placement.

10 BY adding to

11 Article – Family Law

12 Section 5–525(k)

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

14 (2012 Replacement Volume and 2013 Supplement)

15 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
16 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

17 **Article – Family Law**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 5-525.

2 (K) (1) AT LEAST ONE TIME EACH YEAR, THE ADMINISTRATION
3 SHALL PROVIDE A CHILD IN AN OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENT WHO IS AT LEAST 13
4 YEARS OLD INFORMATION REGARDING BENEFITS AVAILABLE TO THE CHILD ON
5 LEAVING OUT-OF-HOME CARE.

6 (2) THE INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF
7 THIS SUBSECTION SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION REGARDING TUITION
8 ASSISTANCE, HEALTH CARE BENEFITS, AND JOB TRAINING AND INTERNSHIP
9 OPPORTUNITIES.

10 (3) THE ADMINISTRATION MAY PROVIDE THE CHILD THE
11 INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION:

12 (I) AT A PERMANENCY PLANNING HEARING OR REVIEW
13 HEARING HELD IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 3-823 OF THE COURTS ARTICLE; OR

14 (II) BY CERTIFIED MAIL.

15 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Secretary of Human
16 Resources shall report on or before December 31, 2014, to the Senate Finance
17 Committee and the House Appropriations Committee, in accordance with § 2-1246 of
18 the State Government Article, on how the Department of Human Resources has
19 implemented the provisions of this Act.

20 SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
21 effect October 1, 2014.

Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.