BY: Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 186

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, strike the first "the" and substitute "a"; in line 8, after "file" insert "certain"; in line 9, after "affidavits" insert "and certain supporting documentation"; in the same line, strike "a" and substitute "the contents and"; in the same line, strike "for" and substitute "of"; in line 11, strike "and health care"; strike beginning with "authorizing" in line 12 down through "children;" in line 13; and in line 14, after "arrangements" insert "who live with relatives who provide informal kinship care".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, in line 9, after "WEEK" insert "<u>AND WHO PROVIDES INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE, AS DEFINED IN § 7-101 OF THIS ARTICLE, FOR THE CHILD</u>"; in line 18, after "home," insert "<u>IN THE HOME OF AN</u>"; in line 19, strike "HOME" and substitute "<u>PROVIDER</u>"; and in line 33, strike "or guardian" and substitute "<u>, GUARDIAN, OR RELATIVE PROVIDING</u> INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE, AS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION".

On page 3, in line 25, after "RELATIVE" insert "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE"; strike beginning with "DUE" in line 25 down through "THAT" in line 26 and substitute "AND"; in line 26, after "VERIFIES" insert "THE INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE RELATIONSHIP"; strike beginning with "WHO" in line 31 down through "CHILD" in line 32 and substitute "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE"; and in line 33, strike "CARE OF THE CHILD" and substitute "INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE".

On page 4, in line 1, strike "CARETAKER'S"; in the same line, after "CHILD" insert "OF THE RELATIVE PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE"; and in line 5, after "RELATIVE" insert "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE".

On page 5, in line 5, after "ASSUMED" insert "INFORMAL KINSHIP"; and in line 32,

strike "CARING FOR THE CHILD" and substitute "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE".

On page 6, in line 1, after "RELATIVE" insert "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE"; strike beginning with "WHO" in line 6 down through the first "CHILD" in line 7 and substitute "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE"; and in line 7, strike "WHO HAS CARE OF THE CHILD" and substitute "PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 3, in line 22, after "(2)", insert "(I)"; and after line 27, insert:

"(II) THE AFFIDAVIT SHALL BE ACCOMPANIED BY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION OF ONE OR MORE SERIOUS FAMILY HARDSHIP AND, WHERE POSSIBLE, THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS OF ANY AUTHORITY WHO CAN VERIFY THE ASSERTIONS IN THE AFFIDAVIT.".

On page 5, in line 27, after "(5)" insert "(I) INSTRUCTIONS THAT EXPLAIN THE NECESSITY FOR BOTH AN AFFIDAVIT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION OF THE SERIOUS FAMILY HARDSHIP RESULTING IN INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE SHALL BE ATTACHED TO"; and in line 28, after "SECTION" insert ".

(II) THE AFFIDAVIT FORMS, WITH ATTACHED INSTRUCTIONS,".

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 3, in line 11, after "CHILD" insert ", WHO IS NOT IN THE CARE, CUSTODY, OR GUARDIANSHIP OF THE DEPARTMENT,"; strike beginning with "WHO" in line 12 down through "DEPARTMENT" in line 13 and substitute "DUE TO A SERIOUS FAMILY HARDSHIP"; in lines 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 30, in each instance, after "PARENT" insert "OR LEGAL GUARDIAN"; and in line 34, after "HARDSHIP" insert "AND WHY IT RESULTED IN INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE".

AMENDMENT NO. 5

On page 6, in line 9, after "(9)" insert "<u>THE RELATIVE PROVIDING INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE SHALL MAKE REASONABLE EFFORTS TO INFORM THE PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN OF THE CHILD OF THE INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE RELATIONSHIP.</u>".

AMENDMENT NO. 6

On page 6, in line 8, strike "AND HEALTH CARE"; and strike beginning with "THE" in line 9 down through "ELIGIBLE." in line 12.

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