

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1345

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “for” in line 4 down through “placements” in line 5; in line 5, strike “the” and substitute “a certain”; in line 6, after “child’s” insert “out-of-home”; in the same line, after “intervals” insert “under certain circumstances”; in the same line, after the semicolon insert “requiring a local department to certify in writing whether a certain placement continues to be safe and stable for a child;”; in line 7, strike “visits by the local department to” and substitute “the visiting of certain”; and in the same line, after “placements” insert “by local departments of social services”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, in line 26, after “(C)” insert “(1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,”; in line 26, strike “PERSON OR AGENCY” and substitute “LOCAL DEPARTMENT”; in line 27, after “SUBTITLE” insert “AND IS PLACED IN THIS STATE”; and after line 28, insert:

“(2) (I) IF THE CHILD HAS BEEN IN THE SAME KINSHIP CARE OR FOSTER CARE HOME FOR MORE THAN 1 YEAR AND THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT THE PLACEMENT IS SAFE AND STABLE FOR THE CHILD, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL VISIT THE CHILD AT THE CHILD’S PLACEMENT AT LEAST ONCE EVERY 3 MONTHS.

(II) WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER EACH VISIT REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL CERTIFY IN WRITING WHETHER THE PLACEMENT CONTINUES TO BE SAFE AND STABLE FOR THE CHILD.

(III) IF THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT DOES NOT CERTIFY IN

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WRITING, WITHIN 14 DAYS AFTER EACH VISIT REQUIRED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (I) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, THAT THE PLACEMENT CONTINUES TO BE SAFE AND STABLE FOR THE CHILD, THE LOCAL DEPARTMENT SHALL VISIT THE CHILD AT LEAST ONCE EVERY MONTH.”.