

## DIGEST OF HB 1290

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### Foster care, child services and placement of children.

- Provides that an individual who received foster care a month before the individual became 18 years of age may request the department of child services (department) to petition a court to receive older youth foster care until the individual reaches 21 years of age if the individual is:
  - (1) employed;
  - (2) attending a vocational program;
  - (3) attending an educational program; or
  - (4) planning on attending a vocational or educational program within six months of the individual's eighteenth birthday.
- Requires the department to implement a transitional services plan for an individual who:
  - (1) is receiving older youth foster care; or
  - (2) becomes 18 years of age or emancipated while receiving foster care.
- Amends the definition of certain foster care terms to include an individual receiving older youth foster care.
- Provides that restrictions on the number of individuals that can be supervised and cared for in a foster family home, a special needs foster family home, or a therapeutic foster family home, exclude individuals receiving older youth foster care.
- Adopts the interstate compact for the placement of children.
- Changes the date by which the report of the commission on disproportionality in youth services:
  - (1) must be presented to the governor and the legislative council from August 15, 2008, to November 15, 2008;
  - (2) shall be made available to the public upon request from December 1, 2008 to December 15, 2008.

**Current Status:** Sections 15 through 16 effective 07/01/2008