

BILL ANALYSIS

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House Bill 4528 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Representative Gary Randall House Committee: Human Services

Senate Committee: Families, Mental Health, and Human Services

CONTENT

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The bill would amend the child care licensing Act to provide that the Director of the Department of Social Services or his or her designee could authorize, on an exception basis, a licensed child placing agency or an approved governmental unit to place a child in a licensed adult foster care family home or adult foster care small group home if the child placing agency or governmental unit certified to the Department all of the following:

- -- The placement was in the child's best interests.
- -- The placement had the concurrence of the child's parent or guardian.
- -- The child's identified needs could be met adequately by the adult foster care home.
- -- The child's psychosocial and clinical needs were compatible with those of other residents of the home.
- -- The clinical treatment of the child's condition was similar to that of the other residents of the home.
- -- The child's cognitive level was consistent with that of the other residents.
- -- The child was neurologically handicapped as well as physically limited to such a degree as to require complete physical assistance with mobility and activities of daily living.
- -- The child placing agency or governmental unit periodically would reevaluate the child's placement to determine that the preceding criteria continued to be met.

MCL 722.115 Legislative Analyst: L. Burghardt

FISCAL IMPACT

Given that appropriate placement of children according to clinical needs is currently Department policy, it appears that the bill would have no fiscal impact.

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