H.B. 4612 (H-2): COMMITTEE SUMMARY



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House Bill 4612 (Substitute H-2) Sponsor: Representative Michael E. Nye House Committee: Judiciary and Civil Rights Senate Committee: Families, Mental Health, and Human Services

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SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4612 (Substitute H-2) as passed by the House:

The bill would amend the child care licensing Act to:

- -- Require that the public information form that adoption facilitators are required to file with probate court include the name of each individual who performed counseling services for a guardian or an adoptee,
- -- Require that the form state the total amount paid by an adoptive parent for expenses incurred in ascertaining the information (such as the adoptee's date and place of birth) required by the Adoption Code to be maintained by a child placing agency, the Department of Social Services, or a court.
- -- Delete the requirement that the form include any other expense approved by the court under the Adoption Code.
- -- Require that the form state the total amount paid by an adoptive parent for a biological mother's living expenses. Currently, the form has to state the total amount paid for a biological parent's living expenses.
- -- Require that certain dates of actions related to an adoption be included in the detachable section of the form that contains confidential information. The dates would be the first contact of the birth parent with the primary adoption facilitator; the first contact of the adoptive parent with the primary adoption facilitator; the temporary placement, if applicable; the formal placement; and the court order finalizing the adoption. Currently, this information is included in the nonconfidential section of the form.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill appears to have no potential fiscal impact. There could be some additional costs, including staff considerations, in the revision of and distribution of forms, but the costs would not be significant.

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