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BILL ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 527 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Tom Casperson
Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Foster Care and Adoption Services Act to do the following:

- Allow an individual to possess a firearm or ammunition while on the premises of a foster home if he or she were permitted to possess a firearm under State law.
- Require an individual who possessed a firearm or ammunition while on the premises of a foster home to store it in a locked secure storage container unless it was being used for a lawful purpose, or the firearm was inoperable and solely ornamental.
- Allow an individual to carry a firearm on his or her person while in the presence of a foster child, provided certain conditions were met.
- Specify that a supervising agency would be immune from civil or criminal liability for an injury resulting from the use of a firearm or ammunition that was stored on the premises of a foster home or carried by a foster care provider or resident of the foster home.
- Specify that the bill would not bar, or authorize a supervising agency to bar, a foster child from lawful possession of a firearm for certain purposes while he or she was in the presence of an adult who could lawfully possess a firearm.
- Prohibit a supervising agency from requiring a foster parent to provide it with confidential firearm information.

Proposed MCL 722.958b

Legislative Analyst: Jeff Mann

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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