

Amendment to HB 349-FN

1 Amend the bill by replacing section 2 with the following:

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3 2 New Paragraphs; Child's Welfare and Findings Regarding Removal. Amend RSA 169-C:6-b
4 by inserting after paragraph II the following new paragraphs:

5 III. If the court orders that a child be removed from his or her home at the preliminary
6 hearing under RSA 169-C:15, the adjudicatory hearing under RSA 169-C:18, the dispositional
7 hearing under RSA 169-C:19, or the final hearing under RSA 169-C:21, the court order for removal
8 shall include specific written findings regarding the need for the out-of-home placement. The order
9 shall summarize the evidence the court relied upon in ordering the placement.

10 IV. If the order does not comply with the requirements of paragraph III, the judge shall
11 make a written finding to justify the out-of-home placement. Providing a copy of the order,
12 redacted to protect the identity of the parties and children, to the members of the house committee
13 having jurisdiction over child and family issues shall not be considered a violation of RSA 169-C:25.