

Sen. Carson, Dist 14
Sen. Whitley, Dist 15
April 10, 2024
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Floor Amendment to SB 459-FN

1 Amend the title of the bill by replacing it with the following:

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3 AN ACT establishing a committee to study the child protection act.

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5 Amend the bill by replacing all after the enacting clause with the following:

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7 1 Committee Established. There is established a committee to study the child protection act.

8 2 Membership and Compensation.

9 I. The members of the committee shall be as follows:

10 (a) Two members of the senate, one from the majority and one from the minority,
11 appointed by the president of the senate.

12 (b) Three members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker of the
13 house of representatives.

14 II. Members of the committee shall receive mileage at the legislative rate when attending to
15 the duties of the committee.

16 3 Duties. The committee shall:

17 I. Study the definitions under the child protection act.

18 II. Study circumstances creating a rebuttable presumption of harm under RSA 169-C:12-f
19 and prospective repeal of the section on July 1, 2024, pursuant to 2020, 26:56.

20 III. Study the expansion of the child abuse reporting requirement to include health care
21 providers who treat a child under 13 years of age for a sexually transmitted disease.

22 IV. Propose any legislation the committee deems appropriate as a result of its study.

23 4 Chairperson; Quorum. The members of the study committee shall elect a chairperson from
24 among the members. The first meeting of the committee shall be called by the first-named senate
25 member. The first meeting of the committee shall be held within 45 days of the effective date of this
26 section. Three members of the committee shall constitute a quorum.

27 5 Report. The committee shall report its findings and any recommendations for proposed
28 legislation to the president of the senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the senate
29 clerk, the house clerk, the governor, and the state library on or before November 1, 2024.

30 6 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a committee to study the child protection act.