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HOUSE BILL

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AN ACT establishing a foster care oversight subcommittee within the oversight commission on children's services.

SPONSORS: Rep. Petrigno, Hills. 43; Rep. DeSimone, Rock. 18; Rep. Gregg, Hills. 7; Rep. Grossman, Rock. 11; Rep. Levesque, Straf. 4; Rep. M. Pearson, Rock. 34; Rep. N. Murphy, Hills. 12; Sen. Altschiller, Dist 24; Sen. Long, Dist 20

COMMITTEE: Children and Family Law

ANALYSIS

This bill establishes a foster care oversight subcommittee within the oversight commission on children's services.

Explanation: Matter added to current law appears in ***bold italics***.
 Matter removed from current law appears ~~[in brackets and struckthrough.]~~
 Matter which is either (a) all new or (b) repealed and reenacted appears in regular type.

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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Twenty Five

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Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

1 31:1 New Subparagraph; Foster Care Oversight Subcommittee. Amend RSA 21-V:10, III by inserting
2 after subparagraph (e) the following new subparagraph:

3 (f)(1) Create a foster care oversight subcommittee from the existing members of the
4 commission to:

5 (A) Provide oversight of foster care programs and services in its effort to support an
6 effective, comprehensive, and coordinated system of services and programs for children, youth, and
7 families;

8 (B) Review with the office of the child advocate the efficacy of foster care programs
9 and services, trends affecting program costs and participation, and alternative approaches to
10 programmatic and administrative concerns; and

11 (C) Identify best foster care practices on behalf of children and families, and
12 recommend future legislation to the commission and the general court.

13 (2) The chair of the commission shall appoint a chair of the subcommittee, who shall be a
14 legislative member, and at least 4 other members from the commission, and shall determine the annual
15 report's scope of findings and due date.

31:2 Effective Date. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Approved: May 14, 2025
Effective Date: May 14, 2025