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CHILD ABUSE INFORMATION

House Bill 4973

Sponsor: Rep. Ken Sikkema

Committee: Social Services and Youth

Complete to 6-18-91

A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 4973 AS INTRODUCED 6-17-91

The bill would amend the Child Protection Law to allow child abuse and neglect information in the central registry maintained by the Department of Social Services to be disclosed to child placing agencies and juvenile court staff. Both placing agencies and juvenile court staff could obtain the information for the purpose of determining the suitability of a home for foster care; placing agencies could in addition obtain information to determine the suitability of a home for adoption. Information received under the bill could in turn be disclosed to an applicant or licensee if the information was the basis for denial or revocation of a license or disapproval of a home for adoption.

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