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Senate Bill 1187 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Senator Bev Hammerstrom
Committee: Judiciary

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Child Protection Law to specify that, unless Senate Bill 1052 required a physician to report to the Family Independence Agency (FIA) regarding a child surrendered to an emergency service provider, the surrender of a newborn in compliance with Senate Bill 1052 would not be reasonable cause to suspect child abuse or neglect and, therefore, would not be subject to the reporting requirements of the Child Protection Law. The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 1052, which would establish a procedure for the surrender of a newborn baby to an emergency service provider.

(Under Senate Bill 1052 (S-3), a hospital that took a newborn into temporary protective custody after the baby had been surrendered to an emergency service provider, would have to have the newborn examined by a physician. The physician would have to report immediately to the FIA if he or she determined that there was reason to suspect child abuse or neglect, or came to a reasonable belief that the child was not a newborn. The bill would define "newborn" as a child whom a physician reasonably believed to be not more than 72 hours old.)

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FISCAL IMPACT

It appears that the bill would have no significant fiscal impact on the FIA because the FIA has administration procedures in place that would accommodate the provisions of the bill.

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of State Police.

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