PILOT FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE PARENT CENTERS



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HOUSE BILL 5242 HOUSE PASSED

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House Committee: Family and Children Services

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SUMMARY

HB 5242 would amend the Foster Care and Adoption Services Act by allowing the Family Independence Agency (FIA) to establish foster and adoptive parent resource center pilots. Also requires FIA, after the pilot has been operated for 2 years, to conduct an evaluation and report on pilot effectiveness.

HB 5242 would have an indeterminate state and local fiscal impact. FIA currently provides post adoption services in 6 regional centers and provides foster care parent support services through contracts. The legislation allows FIA to fund the foster and adoptive parent resource center pilots with funds appropriated for the current fiscal year. It is unclear if the legislation would result in significant redirection of current funds or use of additional funds.