PILOT FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE PARENT CENTERS



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HOUSE BILL 5242 AS ENROLLED

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ENROLLED ANALYSIS - 1/9/03

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SUMMARY

HB 5242 amends the Foster Care and Adoption Services Act by allowing the Family Independence Agency (FIA) to establish foster parent resource center pilots and requiring FIA, if a pilot has been operated for 2 years, to conduct an evaluation and report on pilot effectiveness.

FIA currently provides foster care parent support services through contracts. HB 5242 will have an indeterminate state and local fiscal impact due to the fact that the legislation does not require FIA to develop pilots and the legislation allows FIA to support foster parent resource center pilots with funds appropriated for the current fiscal year. It is unclear if the legislation would result in no adjustments, redirection of current funds, or use of additional funds.