

**House Bill 5183**  
**Sponsor: Rep. John Stahl**  
**Committee: Family and Children**  
**Services**

**Complete to 10-20-03**

**A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5183 AS INTRODUCED 10-16-03**

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to require the Family Independence Agency (FIA) to establish and administer a state plan for the John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program according to the requirements of Section 477 of Part E of Title IV of the Social Security Act (Section 677 of Chapter 42 of the United States Code).

The state plan would have to include programs and services that promote, implement, and support foster care youth focus groups to provide consultation and input into foster care policy. Programs and services established to carry out the provisions of the bill could utilize local foster care youth focus groups that include youth in foster care or youth previously in foster care, or both.

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