



ANALYSIS

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Senate Bills 112, 113, and 114 (as introduced 2-17-15)

Sponsor: Senator Curtis Hertel, Jr. (S.B. 112)

Senator Jim Marleau (S.B. 113)

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CONTENT

<u>Senate Bill 112</u> would amend Public Act 29 of 1957, which provides for the disposition of certain files and records in the probate court, to refer to a "child or youth with special health care needs" rather than "crippled or afflicted children".

<u>Senate Bills 113 and 114</u> would amend Public Act 137 of 1921, which authorizes counties to contract for the care and treatment of certain children, to refer to a child or children "with special health care needs" rather than a "crippled" child or children.

Senate Bill 112 is tie-barred to House Bill 4205, which would amend Part 58 (Crippled Children) of the Public Health Code to refer to children and youth with special health care needs rather than crippled children. That bill also would change the heading of Part 58 to "Children and Youth with Special Health Care Needs".

Senate Bill 112

Public Act 29 of 1957 allows a probate court to order the destruction of certain files and records if more than six years have passed since the last order of the court in the case. That provision applies to proceedings taken for the hospitalization of crippled or afflicted children. Under the bill, it instead would apply to proceedings taken for the hospitalization of a child or youth with special health care needs under Part 58 of the Public Health Code.

(Part 58 defines "crippled child" as a single or married individual under 21 years of age whose activity is or may become so restricted by disease or deformity as to reduce the individual's normal capacity for education and self-support. Under House Bill 4205, that definition would apply to "child or youth with special health care needs".)

Senate Bills 113 & 114

Public Act 137 of 1921 allows a county board of commissioners to enter into agreements for up to one year with one or more agencies, institutions, or hospitals to receive aid, care for, support, maintain, treat, cure, or relieve any poor, sick, distressed, abandoned, needy, or crippled child or children living within the county who may be referred by a judge of the family division of circuit court (family court). Senate Bill 113 would refer in that provision to children or youth with special health care needs rather than to a crippled child or children.

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If a county enters into a contract described above, a judge of the family court must refer the poor, sick, distressed, abandoned, needy, or crippled child or children to the proper agency, institution, or hospital with which the county has contracted. Senate Bill 114 would refer in that provision to a child or youth with special health care needs rather than to a crippled child or children.

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722.501 (S.B. 113)

722.503 (S.B. 114)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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