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House Bills 4639, 4640, and 4643 (as passed by the House) Sponsor: Representative Kimberly Edwards (H.B. 4639)

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House Committee: Criminal Justice

Senate Committee: Committee of the Whole

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CONTENT

House Bill 4639 would amend the Social Welfare Act to modify references of the Office of the Children's Ombudsman (OCO) and the Children's Ombudsman to instead refer to the Office of the Child Advocate and Child Advocate, respectively.

<u>House Bill 4640</u> would amend the Probate Code of 1939 to modify references of the OCO and the Children's Ombudsman to instead refer to the Office of the Child Advocate and Child Advocate, respectively.

<u>House Bill 4643</u> would amend the Foster Care and Adoption Services Act to modify references of the OCO and the Children's Ombudsman to instead refer to the Office of the Child Advocate and Child Advocate, respectively.

The bills are tie-barred to House Bill 4638, which would amend the Children's Ombudsman Act to rename the OCO to the Office of the Child Advocate and the Ombudsman to the Child Advocate and specify that the Office of the Child Advocate could be responsible for certain juvenile justice services in addition to the services that the OCO is currently responsible for.

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PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(This section does not provide a comprehensive account of previous legislative efforts on this subject matter.)

House Bills 4639, 4640, and 4643 are companion bills to Senate Bills 433, 434, and 437, respectively.

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FISCAL IMPACT

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

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