

SESSION OF 2002

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2907

As Amended by House Committee on
Federal and State Affairs

Brief*

HB 2907 concerns children in need of care. The bill amends the current statute to provide that a foster parent or foster parents of the child shall be considered interested parties. The status as an interested party pursuant to the bill would remain in effect while the child is in placement in the foster parent's home and shall not terminate until: (1) the child is successfully placed in another foster home; (2) the child is successfully adopted; or (3) the child is successfully reintegrated into the natural home, after care services are completed, and the case is terminated.

The House Committee amended the bill to delete language that provided that the status as an interested party could not be terminated at any time by the court.

Background

Representatives Sharp, Kauffman, and Storm testified in favor of the bill. Several foster parents supported the bill. A district court judge stated that he had no opposition to the bill.

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No fiscal note is available.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org/cgi-bin/fulltext/bills.cgi>