

BILL SUMMARY
1st Session of the 57th Legislature

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| Bill No.: | HB 2331 |
| Version: | CS |
| Request Number: | 8134 |
| Author: | Branham |
| Date: | 2/22/2019 |
| Impact: | Please see previous summary of this measure |

Research Analysis

The CS for HB 2331 creates the “Families Actively Made for Independent-Living-Aged Youth (FAMILY) Act, which prohibits DHS from restricting the ability of private child-placing agencies to recruit, certify or provide services for foster family homes unless the contract with the department prohibits those activities. Therapeutic foster family homes that have available space will be allowed to accept the placement of a child who does not require a therapeutic placement, under certain conditions, and will be reimbursed for each child at the therapeutic rate. Finally, the measure requires DHS to create a unit within the department to be known as the “Unit for Runaway, Homeless and At-Risk Youth” and establishes criteria for a homeless child to enter into the voluntary custody of the department.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure is currently under review and impact information will be completed.

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Other Considerations

None.