Bill Summary

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Bill Analysis

SB 1677 prohibits the Department of Human Services from requiring any current or prospective adoptive or foster parent to affirm or support any government policy regarding sexual orientation or gender identity that conflicts with the parent's sincerely held religious or moral beliefs. The Department is also prohibited from denying adoption for any current or prospective adoptive or foster parent's sincerely held religious or moral beliefs regarding sexual orientation or gender identity. The Department is authorized to consider the religious or moral beliefs of a particular adoptive or foster child when determining the appropriate placement of a child. Any current or prospective adoptive or foster parent aggrieved by the Department for violating these provisions may raise a claim in a judicial or administrative proceeding and seek appropriate relief.

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