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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to H.P. 928, L.D. 1406, “An Act to Amend Certain Definitions in the Child and Family Services and Child Protection Act”

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 1 in the 4th line (page 1, line 16 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "~~or lack of protection from these,~~" and inserting the following: 'or lack of protection from these,'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 1 in the 9th line (page 1, line 21 in L.D.) by inserting after the following: "offered" the following: 'lawful and'

Amend the bill in section 1 in subsection 1 in the 10th line (page 1, line 22 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "other means" and inserting the following: 'resources'

Amend the bill by striking out all of section 2.

Amend the bill by relettering or renumbering any nonconsecutive Part letter or section number to read consecutively.

SUMMARY

This amendment makes the following changes to the bill.

1. It retains the language in current law that a lack of protection from physical, mental or emotional injury or impairment or sexual abuse or exploitation is a threat to a child's health or welfare.
2. It clarifies that a person responsible for a child must be offered lawful and reasonable financial means or resources to do so.
3. It removes the change to the definition of "jeopardy to health or welfare" or "jeopardy" in the bill.