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By Representative Pedersen

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1 On page 5, beginning on line 25, after "relationship" strike all
2 material through "child" on line 31 and insert "of an Indian child as
3 defined in 25 U.S.C. Sec. 1903, no termination of parental rights may
4 be ordered in such proceeding in the absence of a determination,
5 supported by evidence beyond a reasonable doubt, including testimony
6 of qualified expert witnesses, that the continued custody of the child
7 by the parent or Indian custodian is likely to result in serious
8 emotional or physical damage to the child"
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EFFECT: Clarifies how the beyond a reasonable doubt standard
applies when a court is terminating the parent-child relationship
of an Indian child.

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