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Sponsor(s): Representatives Stevens, Mulliken, Beeksma, Koster, McMahan, Hargrove, B. Thomas and Johnson

Brief Description: Requiring consideration of the best interests of the child in granting dissolutions.

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Provides that, if a party has filed a petition for a decree of dissolution alleging that the marriage is irretrievably broken, the decree shall be granted only upon a showing by the filing party of evidence admissible in a court of law that is capable of supporting by a preponderance of the evidence a finding that the marriage is irretrievably broken.

Declares that, in deciding whether or not to grant a decree of dissolution when the petition has alleged that the marriage is irretrievably broken, the court shall take into consideration what is in the best interests of the parties and of the children, if any, and shall not enter a decree that is not in the best interests of the children.