HB 1226-S - DIGEST

(DIGEST OF PROPOSED 1ST SUBSTITUTE)

Recognizes that the number of children who have developmental disabilities along with intense behaviors is increasing, and more families are seeking out-of-home placement for their children.

Declares an intent to create services and develop supports for these children, family members, and others involved in the children's lives to avoid disruption to families and eliminate the need for out-of-home placement.

Directs the department of social and health services to: (1) Maintain a federal waiver through which services may be provided to allow children with developmental disabilities and intense behaviors to maintain permanent and stable familial relationships; and

(2) Be the lead administrative agency for children's intensive behavior support services.