<u>SSB 6555</u> - S AMD **78**By Senators Stevens, Harper

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On page 11, after line 22, insert the following:

"(c) The department may not be held civilly liable for the decision
to respond to an allegation of child abuse or neglect by using the
family assessment track under this section unless the state or its

5 officers, agents, or employees acted with reckless disregard."

<u>EFFECT:</u> Provides that DSHS is not liable in using the family assessment track to respond to an allegation of child abuse or neglect unless the response choice was made with reckless disregard.

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