

Hundredth Legislature - Second Session - 2008 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 1070

Chairperson:	Joel Johnson
Committee:	Health and Human Services
Date of Hearing:	February 15, 2008

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

This legislation requires the Department of Health and Human Services to develop written procedures to document efforts to identify and locate relative placements.

The department will have five working days to provide the custodial parent with a child placement resources form. The form shall instruct the parent to provide names and contact information for any persons or relatives of the juvenile who may be suitable for out-of-home placement. Within 30 days of taking the juvenille into custody the department shall locate the persons named on the child placement resources form, and investigate whether such a placement is safe and appropriate.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Annette Dubas