

| Chairperson: | Tim Gay |
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| Committee: | Health and Human Services |
| Date of Hearing: | January 28, 2009 |

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, Division of Children and Families to become an accredited public agency by the Council on Accreditation of Services for Families and Children Inc., on or before December 1, 2010. This legislation also appropriates the funding necessary to pay for this accountability measure.

Principal Introducer:

Senator Annette Dubas