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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Brad Ashford

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 09, 2011

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

Legislative Bill 648 would amend section 43-1314 by establishing certain notification requirements for court reviews and hearings pertaining to a child in a foster care placement.

The bill also gives standing to the foster parent(s) in the context of a hearing regarding removal of a foster child from the foster parents' home.

Finally, LB 648 would require that the court inquire into the well-being of the foster child from any willing foster parent, preadoptive parent, or relative providing care for the child if they are present at the hearing.

Principal Introducer:	
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