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SB 211 Engrossed

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Present law relative to children returning from foster care, provides that lack of parental compliance in a case plan consists of a parent's:

- (1) Failure to attend scheduled visitation.
- (2) Failure to communicate with child.
- (3) Failure to provide their whereabouts and changes affecting case plan.
- (4) Failure to contribute to foster care.
- (5) Repeated failure to comply with programs and rehabilitation services.
- (6) Lack of substantial improvement in recurring problems.
- (7) Persistence of conditions that led to removal.

Proposed law retains present law and adds a parent's failure to test negative for synthetic or other controlled dangerous substances except for any drug for which the parent has lawfully received a prescription for prior to reunification.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 1036(C))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the original bill

1. Adds that a parent shall provide a negative test result for all controlled dangerous substances at the completion of a reasonable case plan.

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Health and Welfare to the engrossed bill:

1. Add to the lack of parental compliance a parent's failure to test negative for synthetic or other controlled dangerous substances except for any drug for which the parent has lawfully received a prescription prior to reunification.
2. Defines "controlled dangerous substance."
3. Make technical changes.