

RÉSUMÉ DIGEST

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Prior law provided that the Dept. of Children and Family Services (DCFS) had sole authority over the placement of children within its custody.

New law changes prior law and provides that the department shall have authority over placement of children within its custody.

New law adds that upon motion of the court, for good cause shown, a contradictory hearing shall be held and thereafter, the presiding judge shall have the authority to disapprove a placement chosen by the department if it is in the best interest of the child.

New law also requires the court to issue a written order that DCFS choose a more suitable placement of the child.

Effective August 1, 2018.

(Amends Ch.C. Art. 672(A))