
DIGEST

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HB 584 Engrossed

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Abstract: Provides for the rights of foster children to have proper luggage to move between foster homes instead of garbage bags, and the responsibilities of local social services districts to provide proper luggage.

Proposed law provides foster children the right to proper luggage when moving between foster homes to ensure their dignity and safety.

Proposed law defines luggage and specifies the condition the luggage must be in.

Proposed law strictly prohibits the use of garbage bags as luggage for foster children.

Proposed law provides for the responsibilities of local social services districts to provide foster children with proper luggage.

Proposed law provides for local social service districts and DCFS to host biennial luggage donation drives for luggage to be distributed to foster children.

(Adds R.S. 46:286.16(C)(19))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

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

1. Provide that it is the responsibility of the host family to ensure that the luggage provided by DCFS goes with each child.
2. Add that the local social services districts and DCFS will host biennial luggage donation drives for luggage to be distributed to foster children.
3. Make technical amendments.