

DRAFTER'S NOTE
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Yvonne:

This amendment folds together LRBa1159/1, LRBa1199/1, LRBa1200/1, and LRBa1263/1, which accomplishes all of the following:

1. Makes the birth mother's affidavit in a TPR proceeding optional rather than mandatory and eliminates the option of filing a statement in lieu of an affidavit for a child who has been relinquished.
2. Deletes the provisions that would have made a head of a foster home a party to a fair hearing proceeding and would have provided him or her with access to all confidential records that are relevant to the issue of the removal of the child from the home.
3. Provides that it is not a violation of the law that prohibits preventing a person from receiving notice of a TPR proceeding to refuse to name the birth father if necessary to prevent domestic abuse.
4. Restores current law regarding the confidentiality of the results of a parent's psychological examination.

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