

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF MEMORANDUM

Memo No. 1

## TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PERMANENCY FOR YOUNG CHILDREN IN THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM

- FROM: Melissa Schmidt and Margit Kelley, Staff Attorneys
- RE: Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF) Annual Report for Children in Outof-Home Care
- DATE: June 19, 2012

Attached to this Memo are two documents that provide background statistical information about Wisconsin children placed in out-of-home care for the committee's first meeting on June 27, 2012. At the end of each calendar year, the DCF prepares an annual report to provide a broad overview of Wisconsin children placed in out-of-home care. DCF's most recent annual report is entitled *Wisconsin Children in Out-of-Home Care: Annual Report for Calendar Year 2010* (DCF, December 8, 2011). Also included are its appendices. This report includes statewide information regarding the trends, demographics, placement types, and discharges for all children placed in out-of-home care, not just children under the age of eight.

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