

AMENDMENT TO WLC: 0051/1

1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PREFATORY NOTE: This draft was prepared for the Joint Legislative Council’s Special Committee on State–Tribal Relations. It amends a draft relating to the collection and sharing of information regarding an American Indian child relinquished under the safe haven law.

Under the draft, the Department of Children and Families is required to prepare a packet of materials to be given to a person who is relinquishing a child under the safe haven law. Among other materials, the packet must include an explanation of the following:

- a. The importance to the future well–being of a child of information regarding the child’s social and health history.
- b. The importance to an American Indian child of a social and cultural connection to the child’s tribe and clan and the potential benefits of tribal enrollment.

Also under the draft, a person who has taken custody of a child relinquished under the safe haven law must make a reasonable effort to, among other things, review the material in the packet with the relinquishing parent and explain the two items identified above.

This amendment removes the duty of the person taking custody of a child to explain to the relinquishing parent the importance to an American Indian child of a social and cultural connection to the child’s tribe and clan and the potential benefits of tribal enrollment.

2 **1.** Page 5, line 5: delete “and 4.”

3 (END)