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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. _____

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1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 6 (house committee printing) by adding the
2 following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and
3 renumbering the SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION ____ . Subchapter B, Chapter 264, Family Code, is
5 amended by adding Section 264.130 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 264.130. PREGNANCY AND PARENTING INFORMATION AND
7 SERVICES. (a) The department shall collect:

8 (1) information on the number of children in the
9 managing conservatorship of the department who are minor parents;

10 (2) information on the number of children in the
11 managing conservatorship of the department who are also the
12 children of minor parents as described by Subdivision (1); and

13 (3) with respect to each child who is a minor parent
14 and each child of a minor parent in the managing conservatorship of
15 the department, statistics regarding each child's:

- 16 (A) age;
- 17 (B) ethnicity;
- 18 (C) type of substitute care placement;
- 19 (D) county of residence; and
- 20 (E) length of time in substitute care.

21 (b) The department shall prepare an annual report on the
22 information collected under Subsection (a) and make the report
23 available on the department's Internet website. The report may not
24 include any individually identifiable information regarding a
25 minor parent or child who is the subject of information in the
26 report.

27 (c) The department at developmentally appropriate stages
28 shall provide to children in the managing conservatorship of the
29 department who are pregnant or who are minor parents information on

1 and support in providing safe environments for children, including
2 information and support regarding:

3 (1) safe sleeping arrangements;

4 (2) suggestions for childproofing potentially
5 dangerous settings in a home;

6 (3) methods to cope with crying infants;

7 (4) selection of appropriate substitute caregivers;

8 (5) a child's early brain development, including the
9 importance of meeting an infant's developmental needs by providing
10 positive experiences and avoiding adverse experiences;

11 (6) the importance of paternal involvement in a
12 child's life; and

13 (7) the benefits of reading and talking to young
14 children.

15 (d) The department shall provide parenting skills training
16 and other services, including depression screening services, to
17 children in the managing conservatorship of the department who are
18 pregnant or minor parents.

19 (e) The department shall appropriately recruit, prepare,
20 train, and support individuals, including foster parents,
21 substitute caregivers, and mentors, who work directly with children
22 in the managing conservatorship of the department who are pregnant
23 or minor parents to ensure the individuals provide the specialized
24 care and support needed by those children.

25 SECTION ____ . As soon as practicable after the effective
26 date of this Act, the Department of Family and Protective Services
27 shall collect the information, prepare the report, and provide the
28 services necessary to implement Section 264.130, Family Code, as
29 added by this Act.