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Bill Summary

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Overview

Current law provides that if a child in foster care may need a permanent placement, the local social services agency must consider relatives. It requires that relatives be notified that if they decide not to be a placement resource at the beginning of a case, it may affect their being considered at a later time. The bill strikes this notice and states the opposite: that a decision not to be a placement resource at the beginning of a case does not affect whether the relative could be considered for placement later.