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Senate Bill 258 (Substitute S-2 as reported)

Sponsor: Senator Bill Hardiman

Committee: Families and Human Services

## CONTENT

The bill would amend the Child Protection Law to require the Department of Human Services (DHS), if a child died while under the family court's jurisdiction under Section 2(b) of the juvenile code, to give written notice within one business day to the court that had jurisdiction over the child at the time of his or her death, the State Senator and State Representative who represent the district in which the court was located, and the Children's Ombudsman.

(Section 2(b) grants the family division of circuit court (family court) jurisdiction in proceedings involving a juvenile under the age of 18 whose parent or legal guardian neglects to provide proper or necessary support, education, medical, surgical or other necessary care; who is subject to a substantial risk of harm to his or her mental well-being; who is abandoned by his or her parents or guardian; or who is without proper custody or guardianship. The court also has jurisdiction over a juvenile whose home or environment is an unfit place to live in because of a parent's or guardian's neglect, cruelty, drunkenness, criminality, or depravity; or whose parent has substantially failed, without good cause, to comply with a limited guardianship plan or a court-structured plan.)

Proposed MCL 722.627k Legislative Analyst: Curtis Walker

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

Date Completed: 3-12-09 Fiscal Analyst: David Fosdick