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Research Analysis

The CS for HB 2858 requires a parent of a child who has been taken into protective custody by DHS be notified that they can voluntarily place the child for adoption with a licensed child-placing agency by executing a consent for placement. The bill requires the child-placing agency to provide a copy of the preliminary home study of the prospective adoptive parents to the court. If the court determines the prospective parents are qualified to adopt the child and the adoption is in the child's best interests, the court will order custody of the child transferred to the child-placing agency. The agency is required to submit to the court and to DHS certified copies of the consent or relinquishment and termination proceedings of the parent within 30 days of the termination hearing, at which point the department can close the case.

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Fiscal Analysis

The CS to HB 2858 has no known fiscal implications.

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Other Considerations

None.