BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

SB 423 provides that any person, attorney, or licensed child-paying agency that desires to pay living and transportation expenses on behalf of a birth mother is authorized to expend an initial amount of \$3,500.00 plus housing and utilities deposits without obtaining court approval. The previous limit was \$1,000.00.

The measure also provides that medical services providers or child rescuers must take possession of a child 60 days or younger if the child is voluntarily delivered and the parent did not express intent to take the child back. A parent subject to these provisions will be not be prosecuted for child abandonment or neglect and these actions constitute an affirmative defense.

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Fiscal Analysis

SB 423 stipulates that any person, attorney or licensed child-placing agency desiring to pay living expenses or transportation expenses on half of a birth mother is authorized to expend initial amount no to exceed \$3,500 plus deposits for housing and utilities without court approval

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Other Considerations

None.

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