

LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Senate House

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Senator Rich moved the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Between lines 176 and 177 insert:

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Section 2. Section 39.015, Florida Statutes, is created to read:

39.015 Guardianship of children placed in the department's custody. - The department shall be the guardian of the person of children who are placed by court order in the department's custody, through either shelter care or foster care. Unless parental rights are terminated, this guardianship does not include the right to consent to extraordinary medical care or treatment and does not include any other rights specifically



retained to the parents by court order entered pursuant to this chapter. The department shall exercise its guardianship of a child through individual staff of its community-based care lead agency or its contracted providers, acting on behalf of the department.

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======== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =========== And the title is amended as follows:

Delete line 7

and insert:

judicial review; creating s. 39.015, F.S.; providing the department shall be the quardian of the person of a child placed in the department's custody by the court; providing an exception related to medical care or treatment; providing for the exercise of guardianship through a community-based care lead agency or contracted provider acting on behalf of the department; amending s. 39.6012, F.S.; requiring