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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services
(Yarborough) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment

Delete lines 29 - 39
and insert:

(b)1. Shall, on or before July 1, 2024, in coordination with the local managing entity, administer a validated trauma-focused screening to a child removed from his or her parent, legal custodian, or caregiver to ensure that any acute trauma, if present, is timely identified and that the child is promptly referred to appropriate trauma services, including clinical



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11 evaluation and intervention if needed. This trauma-focused
12 screening must occur as soon as practicable after the child's
13 removal but no later than 14 days after the shelter hearing. A
14 child welfare professional administering a trauma screening
15 pursuant to this subparagraph must request all relevant
16 information from the child protective investigator necessary to
17 complete the trauma screening. Any need for further evaluation
18 or intervention, if identified, must address the impact of
19 trauma on the child, including any trauma related to adverse
20 experiences prior to removal, the event or events that
21 immediately precipitated removal, if applicable, and any trauma
22 related to the removal incident. To the extent possible, any
23 evaluation or intervention shall be integrated into the child's
24 overall mental and behavioral health treatment planning and
25 shall not be considered an additional or adjunct service or
26 treatment.