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CS for Senate Bill No. 105 (), 26-LS0056\R

"An Act relating to continuing the secondary public education of a homeless student; relating to the purpose of certain laws as they relate to children; relating to tuition waivers, loans, and medical assistance for a child placed in out-of-home care by the state; relating to foster care; relating to children in need of aid; and relating to out-of-home care transition to independent living.

Changes in CSSB 105(), 26-LS0056\R from SB 105, 26-LS0056\A

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- Extends McKinney-Vento Act provisions for comparable education and transportation of a homeless student to "school of origin" for the "remainder of the school year, or if the student is attending school for a summer term." (Section 1).
 - Removes exemption of McKinney-Vento provisions regarding "school of origin" if the "superintendent of the school district makes a written finding that a waiver of the requirement is in the student's best academic interest and the finding is mailed to the school board and to the person in charge of children's services for the Department of Health and Social Services."
 - Changes "foster care" to "out-of-home care" for purposes of the transition to the independent living program under Sections 13-15.
 - Increases one-year extensions of commitment to state custody in the best interest of the child beyond age 19 from a maximum age of 20 to age 21. (Section 9).
 - Eliminates state educational loans and deferred payment and interest for a child who was in out-of-home care and was eligible for a tuition waiver to offset the person's tuition, fees, and room and board expenses in a state-supported educational institution.
 - Limits monetary stipend upon leaving foster care to not more than one year and shall end before individual is 23 years of age. (Section 17).