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Explanation of Changes Version W to I

SB 180 “Parent-Guardian/Child: Temporary Power of Attorney”

A concern was raised by the Office of Children’s Services about original language on page 5 lines 14-18 about the language being too broad. This language was removed.

New language was added on page 7 of the bill adding 2 new sections: one section creating an exemption for nonprofit organizations that operate a program to assist parents in finding temporary care for a child to be exempt from licensing and other requirements under the Office of Children’s Services while they operate the program.

Amendments were offered in the Senate Judiciary committee to address concerns of committee members:

The word “property” was removed from page 2, line 3 and from page 3, line 13. This was to address the concern that an individual holding a power of attorney over a minor child could gain access to that child’s Permanent Fund Dividend.

Page 2, line 9, subsection (b) was amended to clarify that either parent maintains their ability to revoke the delegation of powers regardless of which parent executed it.

Legislative Legal found a drafting error that needed correcting. There were missing references to the newly created AS 13.26.023 instead of the previous reference. The correction included creating a new section due to an existing delayed effective date clause with one of the missing references.