

Department of Health and Social Services

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

Explanation of Changes CS for SENATE BILL NO. 98(FIN)

Version 32-GS1708\A to 32-GS1708\W

- Version "W" adds new Section 1 which allows for one member of a married couple to adopt an adult, as long as the spouse consents to the adoption.
- Extends the opportunity for participation in the new program beyond disabled individuals who are aging out of foster care to include seniors and other adults with disabilities.
- Removes references to "adult foster home" and replaces with "adult home care."
- Add a new service and licensed placement type of "adult home care" for seniors and adults with disabilities and seniors.
- Changes "Department of Health and Social Services" to "Department of Health"
- Adds an effective date of "July 1, 2022"