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House Bill 36 (34-LS0358\Q) Sectional Analysis April 22, 2026

Section 1

Changes specific home type definition with the term “an entity” to encompass changing landscape

Section 2

Requires minors to provide documentation to prove unaccompanied homelessness status

Section 3

Lists officials allowed to validate unaccompanied homelessness status

Section 4

Provides the structure of how the five mental health counseling sessions would progress, and the triggers for parental involvement

Section 5

Adds treatment homes to the list of optional groups that may claim federal financial participation and are eligible for medical assistance

Section 6

Maintains a parents residual rights and responsibilities absent a court decree

Section 7

Defines section title for conformation and adds notification rights to “any other parties” for a more broad distribution of information

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Section 8

Sets the timeline for notification and action by the department for a foster child placed in care

Section 9

Adds treatment foster home license to foster care definition

Section 10

Retains residual parental rights for foster kids in treatment

Section 11

Adds treatment foster home license to the General Powers the State has authority over

Section 12

Adds treatment foster home license to a list of homes the state is allowed to inspect

Section 13

Adds the rate of unification with biological parents to the required reporting from the state

Section 14

Requires foster parents of treatment homes participate in trauma informed care

Section 15

Adds treatment foster home license to foster care chapter definition section

Section 16

Adds treatment foster homes to a list of entities subject to chapter 47

Section 17

Adds treatment foster homes to a list of entities subject to variable building codes if needed.

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Section 18

Required treatment home staff meet training requirements

Section 19

Adds treatment home to the list of homes available to a child placement agency

Section 20

Adds definitions for specialized services and for a treatment foster home

Section 21

Repeals stale facility definition

Section 22

Amends Court Rule 12.1 (b) Alaska Child in Need of Aid Rules of Procedure to mandate the court appointment of an attorney for a child.

Section 23

Requires the department to pursue amendments to the state plan for medical assistance coverage to implement section 5 of this act

Section 24

Conditional effect on changes to the state plan by the Federal Government

Section 25

Contingent effective date language

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Effective dates

Section 18

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