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BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL
SERVICES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

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SENATE BILL NO. 646

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to foster care or adoption of Alaskan

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Native children."

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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* Section 1. AS 47.10.230 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

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(d) When the department has committed to its custody an Alaskan

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Native child, it shall attempt, where practicable and after all con-

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siderations regarding the child's best interests including his Native

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cultural heritage are evaluated, to place the child for foster care

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or adoption purposes with a person who is a member of the same Native

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tribe, band, clan, group; village, community or association as that

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of the child, in order that the child's Native cultural heritage may

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be preserved as best as is possible.

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