

Amendments to House Bill No. 309
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Requested by Representative Kathy Kelker

For the House Judiciary Committee

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1. Page 1, line 16.

Strike: "director of the department"

Insert: "governor"

Strike: "up to"

Following: "commission"

Insert: "who have experience in matters related to child abuse and neglect"

2. Page 1, line 17.

Strike: "at a minimum"

Insert: "the following"

3. Page 1, line 18 through line 27.

Strike: subsection (a) through subsection (h) in their entirety

Insert: "(a) a representative of a state agency;

(b) a representative of private organizations;

(c) a medical professional;

(d) a mental health care provider;

(e) a representative of law enforcement;

(f) a member of the judiciary;

(g) an attorney recommended by the state bar of Montana;

(h) a representative of Montana Indian tribes;

(i) eight citizens of the state, appointed as follows:

(i) one representative from eastern region I, including Carter, Custer, Daniels, Dawson, Fallon, Garfield, McCone, Phillips, Powder River, Prairie, Richland, Roosevelt, Rosebud, Sheridan, Treasure, Valley, and Wibaux Counties;

(ii) one representative from north central region II, including Blaine, Cascade, Chouteau, Glacier, Hill, Liberty, Pondera, Teton, and Toole Counties;

(iii) two representatives from south central region III, including Big Horn, Carbon, Fergus, Golden Valley, Judith Basin, Musselshell, Petroleum, Stillwater, Wheatland, and Yellowstone Counties;

(iv) two representatives from southwest region IV, including Beaverhead, Broadwater, Deer Lodge, Gallatin, Granite, Jefferson, Lewis and Clark, Madison, Meagher, Park, Powell, Silver Bow, and Sweet Grass Counties;

(v) two representatives from western region V, including Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Mineral, Missoula, Ravalli, and Sanders

Counties; and

(j) two legislative members from different political parties who serve on the children, families, health, and human services interim committee."

4. Page 1, line 30.

Following: line 30

Insert: "(4) Members appointed to the commission shall serve staggered 3-year terms and may not serve more than two terms. The initial appointments are as follows: six members for 1-year terms; six members for 2-year terms; and six members for 3-year terms. If a vacancy occurs, the vacancy must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment."

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