

S.F. No. 1900 – Department of Human Services; systemic critical incident review team; guardianship

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S.F. 1900 contains Department of Human Services (DHS) technical and policy changes. This bill summary addresses the provisions within the jurisdiction of the Judiciary and Public Safety Committee.

Section 22 authorizes the commissioner of DHS to establish a systemic critical incident review team to review critical incidents related to vulnerable adults in facilities or services for which DHS is the lead investigative agency. The critical incident review process may include data collection about the incident and interviews with involved actors. A selection committee is required to select cases for the systemic critical incident review process based on five critical incident categories. The proceedings and records of the review team are confidential data on individuals or protected nonpublic data. This section makes inadmissible into a criminal or civil proceedings data documenting a person's opinion formed as a result of the review.

Sections 30 and 31 authorizes a guardian to appoint or name a person to exercise signature authority over an ABLE account and lists in order of priority who may be selected for such authority.

Effective date. These sections are effective the day following final enactment.