

- 1.1 Senator moves to amend S.F. No. 4699 as follows:
- 1.2 Page 392, line 24, delete "260.695" and insert "260.693"
- 1.3 Page 392, line 27, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 1.4 Page 393, line 13, after "1963" insert ", or the Minnesota Indian Family Preservation
- 1.5 Act, Minnesota Statutes, sections 260.751 to 260.835"
- 1.6 Page 393, line 15, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 1.7 Page 393, line 17, delete "260.695" and insert "260.693"
- 1.8 Page 393, line 25, delete "request" and insert "file a report of noncompliance with this
- 1.9 act with"
- 1.10 Page 393, line 26, delete everything before "the" and delete "under section 260.694"
- 1.11 and insert "through the child welfare compliance and feedback portal"
- 1.12 Page 393, line 28, after "represented" insert "child's"
- 1.13 Page 393, line 29, after "and" insert "the child's"
- 1.14 Page 394, line 14, after the period, insert "Whether a child or parent has origins in Africa
- 1.15 is based upon self-identification or identification of the child's origins by the parent or
- 1.16 guardian."
- 1.17 Page 395, delete subdivision 10 and insert:
- 1.18 "Subd. 10. **Disproportionately represented child.** "Disproportionately represented
- 1.19 child" means an unmarried person who is under the age of 18 and who is a member of a
- 1.20 community whose race, culture, ethnicity, disability status, or low-income socioeconomic
- 1.21 status is disproportionately encountered, engaged, or identified in the child welfare system
- 1.22 as compared to the representation in the state's total child population, as determined on an
- 1.23 annual basis by the commissioner. A child's race, culture, or ethnicity is determined based
- 1.24 upon a child's self-identification or identification of a child's race, culture, or ethnicity as
- 1.25 reported by the child's parent or guardian."
- 1.26 Page 395, line 19, after "the" insert "temporary placement in foster care as defined in
- 1.27 section 260C.007, subdivision 18, following the"
- 1.28 Page 395, line 20, delete everything after "child"
- 1.29 Page 395, delete line 21
- 1.30 Page 395, line 22, delete everything before "when"

- 2.1 Page 395, line 23, delete everything after "demand" and insert a period
- 2.2 Page 395, delete lines 24 to 26
- 2.3 Page 396, line 1, delete everything after "child"
- 2.4 Page 396, line 2, delete everything before the period
- 2.5 Page 396, line 8, delete "with the child's family or kin"
- 2.6 Page 396, delete subdivision 17 and insert:
- 2.7 "Subd. 17. **Relative.** "Relative" has the meaning given in section 260C.007, subdivision
- 2.8 27."
- 2.9 Page 396, line 27, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 2.10 Page 397, line 4, after "home" insert "under section 260.66"
- 2.11 Page 397, line 17, after "supports" insert "for the child and the child's family, if eligible,"
- 2.12 Page 398, lines 13 and 26, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 2.13 Page 398, line 31, after "home" insert "under section 260.66"
- 2.14 Page 399, line 7, after the comma, insert "if an African American or disproportionately
- 2.15 represented child's noncustodial or nonadjudicated parent is identified and located under
- 2.16 subdivision 1," and delete everything after "assess"
- 2.17 Page 399, line 8, delete everything before "child's" and insert "the"
- 2.18 Page 399, line 12, delete "that" and delete "be placed in" and insert "into"
- 2.19 Page 399, line 13, after "or" insert "section"
- 2.20 Page 400, line 14, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 2.21 Page 402, line 9, delete "19" and insert "20"
- 2.22 Page 402, line 13, delete "transfer of permanent legal and physical custody" and insert
- 2.23 "permanency placement with a relative" and before "If" insert "Consistent with section
- 2.24 260C.513,"
- 2.25 Page 402, line 14, delete "a"
- 2.26 Page 402, line 15, delete everything after the first comma and insert "permanency
- 2.27 placement with a relative is preferred. The court shall consider the requirements of and
- 2.28 responsibilities under section 260.012, paragraph (a), and if possible and if requirements

3.1 under section 260C.515, subdivision 4 are met, transfer permanent legal and physical custody
3.2 of"

3.3 Page 402, line 21, delete everything after "4" and insert a period

3.4 Page 402, line 22, delete everything before "to" and insert "When the responsible social
3.5 services agency is the petitioner, prior"

3.6 Page 402, line 23, delete "who is not a parent"

3.7 Page 402, line 25, after "requirements" insert a comma

3.8 Page 402, line 32, delete everything after "harm"

3.9 Page 402, line 33, delete everything before the semicolon

3.10 Page 403, line 23, delete "19" and insert "20"

3.11 Page 404 delete subdivision 2

3.12 Renumber the subdivisions in sequence

3.13 Page 404, line 35, delete everything after "child" and insert "welfare cases for African
3.14 American and other disproportionately represented children handled by the agency. Each
3.15 responsible social services agency shall create a summary report of trends identified under
3.16 paragraphs (b) and (c), a remediation plan as provided in paragraph (d), and an update on
3.17 implementation of any previous remediation plans. The first report shall be provided to the
3.18 commission and chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with
3.19 jurisdiction over child welfare by October 1, 2029, and annually thereafter. For purposes
3.20 of determining outcomes in this subdivision, responsible social services agencies shall use
3.21 guidance from the commissioner under section 260.63, subdivision 10. The commissioner
3.22 shall provide guidance starting on November 1, 2028, and annually thereafter."

3.23 Page 405, delete lines 1 to 4 and insert:

3.24 "(b) The case review must include:"

3.25 Page 405, line 23, delete ", a legal guardianship,"

3.26 Page 405, line 27, delete "(b)" and insert "(c)"

3.27 Page 406, delete lines 4 to 16 and insert:

3.28 "(d) Any responsible social services agency that has a case review showing
3.29 disproportionality and disparities in child welfare outcomes for African American and other
3.30 disproportionately represented children and the children's families, compared to the agency's
3.31 overall outcomes, must include in their case review summary report a remediation plan with

4.1 measurable outcomes to identify, address, and reduce the factors that led to the
4.2 disproportionality and disparities in the agency's child welfare outcomes. The remediation
4.3 plan shall also include information about how the responsible social services agency will
4.4 achieve and document trauma-informed, positive child well-being outcomes through
4.5 remediation efforts."

4.6 Page 406, line 18, delete "19" and insert "20"

4.7 Page 407, line 19, delete "19" and insert "20"

4.8 Page 410, after line 21, insert:

4.9 "(e) The unit must review information from members of the public received through the
4.10 compliance and feedback portal, including policy and practice concerns related to individual
4.11 child welfare cases. After assessing a case concern, the unit may determine if further
4.12 necessary action should be taken, which may include coordinating case remediation with
4.13 other relevant child welfare agencies in accordance with data privacy laws, including the
4.14 African American Child Well-Being Advisory Council, and offering case consultation and
4.15 technical assistance to the responsible local social service agency as needed or requested
4.16 by the agency."

4.17 Page 410, line 22, before "The" insert "(a)"

4.18 Page 410, after line 27, insert:

4.19 "(b) The African American Child Well-Being Unit will gather summary data about the
4.20 practice and policy inquiries and individual case concerns received through the compliance
4.21 and feedback portal under subdivision 2, paragraph (e). The unit will provide regular reports
4.22 of the non-identifying compliance and feedback portal summary data to the African American
4.23 Child Well-Being Advisory Council to identify child welfare trends and patterns to assist
4.24 with developing policy and practice recommendations to support eliminating disparity and
4.25 disproportionality for African American children."

4.26 Page 412, line 18, delete everything after the comma and insert "a"

4.27 Page 412, line 22, reinstate the stricken language

4.28 Page 412, line 23, reinstate the stricken language and delete the new language

4.29 Page 413, lines 8 and 25, delete "19" and insert "20"

4.30 Page 414, lines 14 and 25, delete "19" and insert "20"

4.31 Page 414, line 20, delete everything before the period and insert "relatives"

5.1 Page 414, after line 25, insert:

5.2 "Sec. 19. **DIRECTION TO THE COMMISSIONER; COMPLIANCE SYSTEM**
5.3 **REVIEW DEVELOPMENT.**

5.4 (a) By January 1, 2026, the commissioner of human services, in consultation with counties
5.5 and the working group established under section 20 of this article, must develop a system
5.6 to review county compliance with the Minnesota African American Family Preservation
5.7 and Child Welfare Disproportionality Act. The system may include, but is not limited to,
5.8 the cases to be reviewed, the criteria to be reviewed to demonstrate compliance, the rate of
5.9 noncompliance and the coordinating penalty, the program improvement plan, and training.

5.10 (b) By January 1, 2026, the commissioner of human services must provide a report to
5.11 the chairs and ranking minority members of the legislative committees with jurisdiction
5.12 over child welfare on the proposed compliance system review process and language to
5.13 codify that process in statute.

5.14 **EFFECTIVE DATE.** This section is effective July 1, 2024."

5.15 Page 415, line 12, after "from" insert "the Minnesota Association of County Social
5.16 Service Administrators,"

5.17 Page 415, line 14, after the period, insert "The legislature may provide recommendations
5.18 to the commissioner on the selection of the representatives from the community
5.19 organizations."

5.20 Page 415, delete section 21

5.21 Renumber the sections in sequence and correct the internal references

5.22 Amend the title accordingly