

SENATE FLOOR AMENDMENT

Second Reading

BY SENATOR Buckner

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 3, line 10, strike "and".
- 2 Page 3, line 15, strike "communities." and substitute "communities; and".
- 3 Page 3, after line 15, insert:
 - 4 "(f) The focus of dependency and neglect cases should be the
 - 5 physical, mental, and emotional needs of the child. Accordingly,
 - 6 decisions to terminate parental rights should be based on the needs of the
 - 7 child, and not solely on the status of the parent as incarcerated or the
 - 8 length of the sentence."

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