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Overview

This bill modifies provisions related to judicial proceedings for children in need of protection or services.

Section

- 1** **Child in need of protection or services.** Amends § 260C.007, subd. 6. Makes a technical change. Adds a new basis for finding a child in need of protection or services: the child has a parent whose parental rights to another child have been involuntarily terminated or whose custodial rights have been involuntarily transferred to a relative, but there are compelling reasons why it is in the child's best interest not to have parental rights terminated.
- 2** **Right to participate in proceedings.** Amends § 260C.163, subd. 2. Provides that in a permanency proceeding if a petition is filed for transferring custody of a child to a named relative, then the relative has a right to be a party to the proceedings, but only on the issue of the relative's suitability as a legal custodian for the child.
- 3** **Immediate custody.** Amends § 260C.175, subd. 1. Adds that a peace officer who takes a runaway into custody may transport the child to a shelter care facility.