

**S.B. 126**  
**CHILD WELFARE AMENDMENTS**

Representative **Ronda Rudd Menlove** proposes the following amendments:

1. Page 6, Lines 161 through 180  
House Committee Amendments  
2-27-2014:

161 (3) (a) As a part of its [~~preventive~~] in-home services for the preservation of families, the  
162 division shall provide [~~family preservation~~] in-home services in varying degrees of intensity  
163 and contact that {+}

164 {~~(a)~~} are [~~short-term, intensive, crisis intervention programs~~] specific to the  
164a ~~H~~→ [~~individual~~] ←~~H~~  
165 needs of ~~H~~→ [~~the~~] each individual ←~~H~~ family {+} .

166 (b) As part of its in-home services, the division shall:

(i) provide customized assistance;

(ii) provide support or interventions that are tailored to the needs of the family;

(iii) discuss the family's needs with the parent;

(iv) discuss an assistance plan for the family with the parent; and

{~~(b)~~} (v) address:

167 {~~(i)~~} (A) the safety of children; [~~and~~]

168 {~~(ii)~~} (B) the needs of the family; and

169 {~~(iii)~~} (C) services necessary to aid in the preservation of the family and a child's  
ability to

170 remain in the home {~~;~~ and} .

171 (c) In-home services shall be, as practicable, {~~are~~} provided within the region that the  
172 family resides, using existing  
173 division staff.

174 (4) {+} (a) {+} The division may use specially trained caseworkers, private providers, or other  
175 persons to provide the [~~family preservation~~] in-home services described in Subsection (3).

176 {+} (b) {+} The division shall allow a caseworker to be flexible in responding to the needs  
of each individual family, including:

(i) limiting the number of families assigned; and

(ii) being available to respond to assigned families within 24 hours.

[Family preservation caseworkers may:]

176 [(i) only be assigned a minimal number of families;]

177 [(ii) be available 24 hours for an intensive period of at least six weeks; and]

178            [~~(iii) respond to an assigned family within 24 hours.~~]  
179            [~~(c) The division shall allow family preservation caseworkers to be creative and~~  
180    flexible in responding to the needs of each individual family.]