

House Bill 5292
Sponsor: Rep. Irma Clark
**Committee: Family and Children
Services**

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A SUMMARY OF HOUSE BILL 5292 AS INTRODUCED 10-18-01

House Bill 5292 would require the Family Independence Agency to provide children in relative care with the same level of financial assistance and other services as given to children in foster care. The bill would define “relative care” to mean the care of child by an adult who, by marriage, blood, or adoption, is the child’s grandparent, brother, sister, stepsister, stepbrother, uncle, or aunt, regardless of the manner in which the child came to be under the care of the relative. Relative care would include, but would not be limited to, a parent’s voluntary placement of the child with the relative; the placement of the child with the relative by the court, the department, or a child placing agency under the Social Welfare Act, the Probate Code of 1939, or other state law; or the child’s continued residence with the relative as prescribed in section 11a of the Probate Code. House Bill 5292 would not be enacted unless House Bill 4858, which would add section 11a to the Probate Code, were also enacted. (House Bill 4858 would require the court to allow a child who was under the court’s jurisdiction to remain in the care of a relative unless the child were at risk of being harmed.)

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