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Introducer's Statement of Intent

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Chairperson: Senator Justin Wayne

Committee: Judiciary

Date of Hearing: February 22, 2023

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

Legislative Bill 14 proposes to expand eligibility in the Young Adult Bridge to Independence Program, which supports former state wards in transitioning to adulthood, becoming self-sufficient, and creating permanent community relationships. Specifically, LB 14 would allow juvenile-adjudicated youth who have attained nineteen years of age and are in a court-ordered out-of-home placement to be eligible for the program if the court determines that it is contrary to the juvenile's welfare to return to the family home and if the juvenile is in compliance with the terms and conditions of their probation order.

Senator George Dungan