STATE OF WYOMING

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0086

Child placement orders.

Sponsored by: Joint Labor, Health and Social Services
Interim Committee

A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to the Child Protection Act, Children in 2 Need of Supervision Act and Juvenile Justice Act; providing 3 that the court ordering out of home psychiatric residential
- 4 treatment shall refer the matter to a multidisciplinary
- 5 team for selection of a treatment facility; providing
- 6 determination procedures; and providing for an effective
- 7 date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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- 11 **Section 1.** W.S. 14-3-429(c) by creating a new
- 12 paragraph (iv), 14-6-229(e) by creating a new paragraph (v)
- 13 and 14-6-429(c) by creating a new paragraph (iv) are
- 14 amended to read:

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1 14-3-429. Decree where child adjudged neglected;

2 dispositions; terms and conditions; legal custody.

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4 (c) In cases where a child is ordered removed from

5 the child's home:

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7 (iv) The court in its order shall not specify a particular psychiatric residential treatment facility or 8 9 level of care for the placement of the child but shall refer the matter to the multidisciplinary team to identify 10 11 the least restrictive environment consistent with the court's findings and make their recommendations to the 12 13 department. The department shall make the decision of 14 placement and immediately provide written notice of the proposed placement facility to the child, the child's 15 parents, the child's representative, any current placement 16 17 provider and the office of the district attorney of original jurisdiction, personally or by certified mail to 18 19 the recipient's last known address. The department may 20 immediately proceed with the placement and a party shall be 21 deemed to have approved the placement if that party fails 22 to request a placement hearing before the court within ten 23 (10) days after notice of the placement is served on the 24 party. At a placement hearing, the court shall affirm the

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1 placement if the department's decision is supported by

2 substantial evidence of the medical needs and best

3 interests of the child.

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5 14-6-229. Decree where child adjudged delinquent;

6 dispositions; terms and conditions; legal custody.

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8 (e) In cases where a child is ordered removed from the

9 child's home:

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placement is served on the party. At a placement hearing, the 1 2 court shall affirm the placement if the department's decision is 3 supported by substantial evidence of the medical needs and best 4 interests of the child. 5 6 14-6-429. Decree where child adjudged in need of 7 supervision; dispositions; terms and conditions; legal custody. 8 9 10 (C) In cases where a child is ordered removed from

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