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FULL COMMITTEE PONY

SB 512 Relating to parentage

SB 512 establishes parentage based on the presumption that the spouse of a birth mother is a parent to her child. This extends the current marital presumption to include same-sex spouses of birth mothers, providing a basis for parentage for purposes of child support. The bill also updates paternity and parentage language to be gender neutral.

The Joint Committee on Ways and means previously approved this bill, and it has passed the Senate.

The –B5 conflict amendment resolves conflicts with SB 513 and HB 2673. In both these bills, updated parentage language is already included.

I recommend SB 512 be amended by the –B5 conflict amendment and be reported out do pass, as amended.