

AMENDMENTS TO LB744

(Amendments to Standing Committee amendments, AM2142)

Introduced by Watermeier, 1.

1 1. On page 1, after line 7, insert the following new subsection:

2 "(2)(a) In private adoptions, the birth mother shall be provided
3 independent legal counsel of her choice at the expense of the adoptive
4 parent or parents prior to the execution of a written relinquishment of
5 parental rights, written consent to adoption, or communication and
6 contact agreement under this section.

7 (b) In private and agency adoptions, the birth parent or parents
8 shall be offered, at the expense of the adoptive parent or parents or the
9 agency, at least three hours of professional counseling prior to
10 executing a written relinquishment of parental rights or written consent
11 to adoption. Such relinquishment or consent shall state whether the birth
12 parent or parents received or declined counseling."; in line 8 strike
13 "(2)" and insert "(3)"; in line 14 strike "(3)" and insert "(4)"; in line
14 17 strike "(4)" and insert "(5)"; and in line 23 strike "(5)" and insert
15 "(6)".

16 2. On page 2, line 7, strike "(6)" and insert "(7)"; in line 18
17 strike "(7)" and insert "(8)"; in line 21 strike "6" and insert "(7)";
18 and in line 22 strike "(8)" and insert "(9)".

19 3. On page 3, line 4, strike "(9)" and insert "(10)"; and in line 5
20 strike "(6)" and insert "(7)".