

Act No. 116 (S.189). Human services; foster parents

An act relating to foster parents' rights and protections

This act establishes a Foster Parent Working Group for the purpose of recommending legislation, rules, or policies pertaining to rights and protections for foster parents in Vermont. The Working Group is tasked with assessing foster parents' access to the Department for Children and Families (DCF); access to records; scheduling of court-ordered visits and appointments with DCF; foster parent fear of reprisal for raising concerns about DCF; and regional differences in Vermont's foster care system. The Working Group is required to submit its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly by January 15, 2017.

Effective Date: July 1, 2016