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1 Committee of Conference Report on SB 143-FN, adopting omnibus legislation relative to certain $\mathbf{2}$ agency requests. 3 4 **Recommendation:** $\mathbf{5}$ 6 That the Senate recede from its position of nonconcurrence with the House amendment, and 7concur with the House amendment, and 8 9 That the Senate and House adopt the following new amendment to the bill as amended by the 10 House, and pass the bill as so amended: 11 12Amend Part V of the bill by replacing section 3 with the following: 13143 Adequate Representation for Indigent Defendants in Criminal Cases; Neglected or Abused Children. RSA 604-A:1-a is repealed and reenacted to read as follows: 1516 604-A:1-a Neglected or Abused Children. In cases involving a neglected or abused child, when a 17guardian ad litem is appointed for the child as provided in RSA 169-C:10, the cost of such 18appointment shall be paid from funds appropriated for indigent defense pursuant to this chapter. In 19cases involving a neglected or abused child, when an expressed interest attorney is appointed for the 20child as provided in RSA 169-C:10, the cost of such appointment shall be paid from funds 21appropriated for indigent defense in this chapter. In cases involving a neglected or abused child, 22when an attorney is appointed to represent a parent determined to be indigent pursuant to RSA 169-23C:10, II, at the preliminary hearing or a hearing pursuant to RSA 169-C:6-a, III, whichever occurs 24earlier, the cost of such appointment, including counsel and investigative, expert, or other services 25and expenses, shall be paid from funds appropriated for indigent defense pursuant to this chapter. 26Counsel shall petition the court for investigative, expert, or other services necessary to provide 27adequate representation. If the court finds that such services are necessary and that the parent is 28financially unable to obtain them, the court shall authorize counsel to obtain the necessary services 29on behalf of the parent. Services authorized under this section shall be in addition to payment for expenses provided under RSA 169-C or RSA 170-C. 30 31

32 Amend the bill by deleting Part VIII.

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The signatures below attest to the authenticity of this Report on SB 143-FN, adopting omnibus legislation relative to certain agency requests.

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AMENDED ANALYSIS

This bill adopts legislation relative to:

- I. Appointment of counsel for a minor in a juvenile delinquency proceeding.
- II. Alternative dispute resolution.
- III. Allowing judicial referees to issue orders in non-contested probate matters.
- IV. Permitting a supreme court justice to sit as a circuit court judge.
- V. Payment of costs for services other than counsel for indigent parties.
- VI. Insurance company licenses.
- VII. The New Hampshire National Guard enlistment incentive program.