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Sponsor(s): Representatives Kagi and Boldt

Brief Description: Creating a study panel on adoption issues.

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Provides that the study panel shall study and report findings and recommendations, as well as solicit comments from the community, regarding the current adoption statutes and policies related to the following issues: (1) Adoption-related fees;

- (2) Barriers to adoption;
- (3) Child selling and buying;
- (4) Adoption facilitation, advertising, and marketing;
- (5) Discrimination in adoption based upon ability to pay, race, color, or national origin of child or parent;
 - (6) Background checks; and
 - (7) Agency licensing and credentialing.

Requires the study panel to report its findings to the legislature by January 1, 2005.