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S 672. STUDY/SMOKING BAN/FOSTER CARE HOMES. Filed 3/18/09. AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF SMOKING PROHIBITIONS IN FOSTER CARE HOMES.

Allows the Legislative Research Commission (Commission) to study whether smoking prohibitions that apply to foster care homes are having an impact on the availability of foster care homes. Requires the consideration of whether smoking bans are a sensible approach to protecting the health of foster care children or whether smoking bans may cause a reduction in the number of available foster care homes. Allow the Commission to report its findings to the 2010 Regular Session of the 2009 General Assembly and requires a final report to the 2011 General Assembly. Requires the Legislative Services Officer to allocate funds appropriated to the General Assembly for the expenditures of the Commission in conducting the study. Intro. by Purcell. JOINT RES