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S 673. BAN SMOKING IN FOSTER CARE SETTING/INFANTS. Filed 3/18/09. AUTHORIZING THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION TO ADOPT A POLICY PROHIBITING A FOSTER PARENT FROM SMOKING IN THE PRESENCE OF AN INFANT IN THE FOSTER PARENT'S CARE.

Enacts new GS 131D-10.10 requiring the Social Services Commission to adopt and enforce a written policy prohibiting a foster parent from smoking (1) in a private residence that is used to provide licensed foster care and (2) in the presence of an infant in the foster parent's care while the infant and the foster parent are in a motor vehicle. Requires the policy to require a foster parent to prohibit others from smoking in the presence of an infant in that foster parent's care. Makes conforming changes to GS 131D-10.5 (powers and duties of the Commission). Intro. by Purcell. GS 131D