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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-FIRST SESSION

H. F. No. 3159

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to child welfare; requiring prenatal alcohol exposure screenings for children
1.3 in out-of-home placement; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 260C.157,
1.4 by adding a subdivision.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 260C.157, is amended by adding a subdivision
1.7 to read:

1.8 Subd. 4. Prenatal alcohol exposure screening. The responsible social services agency
1.9 shall conduct a prenatal alcohol exposure screening for any child placed within the
1.10 jurisdiction of the court under section 260B.101 or 260C.101, as soon as practicable, or
1.11 within 15 days of the removal of the child from the child's home. The screening must comply
1.12 with accepted prenatal alcohol exposure screening best practice guidelines and criteria.

1.13 EFFECTIVE DATE. This section is effective for children placed within the jurisdiction
1.14 of the court under section 260B.101 or 260C.101 on or after August 1, 2020.