

**Committee on Children, Families,
and Elder Affairs**

CS/CS/SB 564 — Young Adult Aftercare Services

by Fiscal Policy Committee; Children, Families, and Elder Affairs Committee; and Senators Garcia, Hooper, Book, and Rouson

The bill expands the eligibility for receiving aftercare services subject to available funding. If a young adult between 18 and 22 years of age was placed in out-of-home care for at least six months after turning 14 years of age and did not achieve reunification with his or her parent or guardian, they are eligible to receive aftercare services. This will allow more young adults to access needed services.

The bill permits the Department of Children and Families to distribute federal funds to all young adults deemed eligible by the federal funding source in the event of a state or national emergency even if the young adult does not meet eligibility requirements for aftercare services.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect July 1, 2024.

Vote: Senate 32-0; House 113-0