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Senator Lynn moved the following **amendment to amendment**
(624720):

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 7, line 9, through
page 8, line 20, delete those lines

and insert:

5. Information related to both the
preindependent-living assessment and all staffings, which
shall be reduced to writing and signed by the child
participant, shall be included as a part of the written report
required to be provided to the court at each judicial review
held pursuant to s. 39.701.

(b) Life skills services.--

1. Life skills services may include, but are not
limited to, independent living skills training, including
training to develop banking and budgeting skills, interviewing
skills, parenting skills, educational support, employment
training, and counseling. Children receiving these services
should also be provided with information related to social

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1 security insurance benefits and public assistance. The
2 specific services to be provided to a child shall be
3 determined using an independent life skills assessment.

4 2. A child who has reached 15 years of age but is not
5 yet to 18 years of age who is in foster care is eligible for
6 such services.

7 3. The department shall conduct a staffing at least
8 once every 6 months for each child who has reached 15 years of
9 age but is not yet 18 years of age to ensure that the
10 appropriate independent living training and services as
11 determined by the independent life skills assessment are being
12 received and to evaluate the progress of the child in
13 developing the needed independent living skills. At these
14 staffings, the department shall identify children with
15 developmental disabilities and special mental health needs and
16 coordinate with the appropriate agencies to assist these
17 children with their special needs, particularly the
18 Developmental Disabilities Program Office and Mental Health
19 Program Office. The department shall coordinate the child's
20 independent living plan with the school's individual education
21 plan if the child is in a special education program.

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24 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

25 And the title is amended as follows:

26 On page 31, line 1, delete that line

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28 and insert:

29 identification of and coordination of
30 assistance to children;

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