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The Committee on Judiciary (Baker) recommended the following amendment:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

On page 9, lines 16-17, delete those lines

and insert: determine paternity, which may result in termination of the legal father's parental rights, in which another man is alleged to be the biological father. Before service of process by publication may be made, the petitioner shall conduct a diligent search and inquiry to locate the legal father. A diligent search must include the inquiries required by s. 63.088(5). The petitioner shall execute an affidavit of diligent search and file it with the court confirming completion of each aspect of the diligent search enumerated in s. 63.088(5) and specifying the results. If the legal father cannot be located, he shall be served with process by publication in the manner provided in chapter 49. The notice shall be published in the county where the legal father was last known to have resided. The clerk of the circuit court shall mail a copy of the notice to the legal

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1 father at his last known address.

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5 And the title is amended as follows:

6 On page 1, line 20, after the semicolon,

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8 and insert:

9 requiring a diligent search for the legal
10 father; prescribing requirements for service of
11 process by publication;

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