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Senator Kearney

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To enact section 2151.411 of the Revised Code to 1
require generally that siblings in the custody of 2
a public children services agency be placed 3
together. 4

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF OHIO:

Section 1. That section 2151.411 of the Revised Code be 5
enacted to read as follows: 6

Sec. 2151.411. Whenever a child comes into the custody of a 7
public children services agency, either as part of a sibling group 8
or subsequent to the previous placement of a sibling, the agency 9
shall make reasonable efforts to place the siblings together, 10
unless it would be contrary to the siblings' best interest or 11
well-being. If siblings are not placed together, the agency shall 12
make reasonable efforts to ensure the siblings' interaction, 13
unless it would be contrary to the siblings' placement or 14
well-being. 15