

**257.01 RECORDS REQUIRED.**

Each person or authorized child-placing agency permitted by law to receive children, secure homes for children, or care for children, shall keep a record containing the name, age, former residence, legal status, health records, sex, race, and accumulated length of time in foster care, if applicable, of each child received; the name, former residence, occupation, health history, and character, of each birth parent; the date of reception, placing out, and adoption of each child, and the name, race, occupation, and residence of the person with whom a child is placed; the date of the removal of any child to another home and the reason for removal; the date of termination of the guardianship; the history of each child until the child reaches the age of 21 years, is legally adopted, or is discharged according to law; and further demographic and other information as is required by the commissioner of children, youth, and families.

**History:** (4560) *Ex1919 c 51 s 1; 1951 c 644 s 1; 1973 c 725 s 47; 1983 c 278 s 1; 1984 c 654 art 5 s 58; 1986 c 444; 1994 c 631 s 31; 2012 c 216 art 6 s 1; 2024 c 80 art 8 s 70*