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Mr. Wayne Welsh
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Subject: Request for Letter Report

Mr. Welsh:

I am aware that over the years you have conducted numerous audits and reviews resulting in recommendations for the long-term improvement of Utah's child welfare system. As recently as two years ago, you conducted a review of several cases involving alleged violations of the procedural deadlines established by the Legislature.

It has come to my attention that state policies and procedures, including those established by the judiciary, may have been violated in the case of Ms. Lisa Bierly and her son who was taken into state custody by the Division of Child and Family Services. Would you please review this case for compliance with policies established by the Legislature, the Division, and the judiciary? Also, would you identify any areas of noncompliance and make recommendations, if necessary, to ensure that the rights of parents and children are protected as the state attempts to protect children and preserve families?

Sincerely,

Matt Throckmorton
Representative Matt Throckmorton

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Would you please
prepare a letter report
for me on this case detailing
what went wrong?
Thanks,
Matt*

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