

# AN ACT

To amend sections 2151.353, 5103.03, 5103.031, 5103.032, 5103.033, 5103.035, 5103.038, 5103.0313, 5103.0314, 5103.0316, 5103.0317, and 5103.31 and to repeal sections 5103.039 and 5103.0311 of the Revised Code regarding foster caregiver training.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio:*

SECTION 1. That sections 2151.353, 5103.03, 5103.031, 5103.032, 5103.033, 5103.035, 5103.038, 5103.0313, 5103.0314, 5103.0316, 5103.0317, and 5103.31 of the Revised Code be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2151.353. (A) If a child is adjudicated an abused, neglected, or dependent child, the court may make any of the following orders of disposition:

- (1) Place the child in protective supervision;
- (2) Commit the child to the temporary custody of any of the following:
  - (a) A public children services agency;
  - (b) A private child placing agency;
  - (c) Either parent;
  - (d) A relative residing within or outside the state;
  - (e) A probation officer for placement in a certified foster home;
  - (f) Any other person approved by the court.

(3) Award legal custody of the child to either parent or to any other person who, prior to the dispositional hearing, files a motion requesting legal custody of the child or is identified as a proposed legal custodian in a complaint or motion filed prior to the dispositional hearing by any party to the proceedings. A person identified in a complaint or motion filed by a party to the proceedings as a proposed legal custodian shall be awarded legal custody of the child only if the person identified signs a statement of understanding for legal custody that contains at least the following provisions:

(a) That it is the intent of the person to become the legal custodian of the child and the person is able to assume legal responsibility for the care and supervision of the child;

(b) That the person understands that legal custody of the child in question is intended to be permanent in nature and that the person will be responsible as the custodian for the child until the child reaches the age of majority. Responsibility as custodian for the child shall continue beyond the age of majority if, at the time the child reaches the age of majority, the child is pursuing a diploma granted by the board of education or other governing authority, successful completion of the curriculum of any high school, successful completion of an individualized education program developed for the student by any high school, or an age and schooling certificate. Responsibility

beyond the age of majority shall terminate when the child ceases to continuously pursue such an education, completes such an education, or is excused from such an education under standards adopted by the state board of education, whichever occurs first.

(c) That the parents of the child have residual parental rights, privileges, and responsibilities, including, but not limited to, the privilege of reasonable visitation, consent to adoption, the privilege to determine the child's religious affiliation, and the responsibility for support;

(d) That the person understands that the person must be present in court for the dispositional hearing in order to affirm the person's intention to become legal custodian, to affirm that the person understands the effect of the custodianship before the court, and to answer any questions that the court or any parties to the case may have.

(4) Commit the child to the permanent custody of a public children services agency or private child placing agency, if the court determines in accordance with division (E) of section 2151.414 of the Revised Code that the child cannot be placed with one of the child's parents within a reasonable time or should not be placed with either parent and determines in accordance with division (D)(1) of section 2151.414 of the Revised Code that the permanent commitment is in the best interest of the child. If the court grants permanent custody under this division, the court, upon the request of any party, shall file a written opinion setting forth its findings of fact and conclusions of law in relation to the proceeding.

(5) Place the child in a planned permanent living arrangement with a public children services agency or private child placing agency, if a public children services agency or private child placing agency requests the court to place the child in a planned permanent living arrangement and if the court finds, by clear and convincing evidence, that a planned permanent living arrangement is in the best interest of the child, that the child is sixteen years of age or older, and that one of the following exists:

(a) The child, because of physical, mental, or psychological problems or needs, is unable to function in a family-like setting and must remain in residential or institutional care now and for the foreseeable future beyond the date of the dispositional hearing held pursuant to section 2151.35 of the Revised Code.

(b) The parents of the child have significant physical, mental, or psychological problems and are unable to care for the child because of those problems, adoption is not in the best interest of the child, as determined in accordance with division (D)(1) of section 2151.414 of the Revised Code, and the child retains a significant and positive relationship with a parent or relative.

(c) The child has been counseled on the permanent placement options available to the child, and is unwilling to accept or unable to adapt to a permanent placement.

(6) Order the removal from the child's home until further order of the court of the person who committed abuse as described in section 2151.031 of the Revised Code against the child, who caused or allowed the child to suffer neglect as described in section 2151.03 of the Revised Code, or who is the parent, guardian, or custodian of a child who is adjudicated a dependent child and order any person not to have contact with the child or the child's siblings.

(B)(1) When making a determination on whether to place a child in a planned permanent living arrangement pursuant to division (A)(5)(b) or (c) of this section, the court shall consider all relevant information that has been presented to the court, including information gathered from the

child, the child's guardian ad litem, and the public children services agency or private child placing agency.

(2) A child who is placed in a planned permanent living arrangement pursuant to division (A)(5)(b) or (c) of this section shall be placed in an independent living setting or in a family setting in which the caregiver has been provided by the agency that has custody of the child with a notice that addresses the following:

(a) The caregiver understands that the planned permanent living arrangement is intended to be permanent in nature and that the caregiver will provide a stable placement for the child through the child's emancipation or until the court releases the child from the custody of the agency, whichever occurs first.

(b) The caregiver is expected to actively participate in the youth's independent living case plan, attend agency team meetings and court hearings as appropriate, complete training, as ~~provided in division (B) of~~ developed and implemented under section 5103.035 of the Revised Code, related to providing the child independent living services, and assist in the child's transition into adulthood.

(3) The department of job and family services shall develop a model notice to be provided by an agency that has custody of a child to a caregiver under division (B)(2) of this section. The agency may modify the model notice to apply to the needs of the agency.

(C) No order for permanent custody or temporary custody of a child or the placement of a child in a planned permanent living arrangement shall be made pursuant to this section unless the complaint alleging the abuse, neglect, or dependency contains a prayer requesting permanent custody, temporary custody, or the placement of the child in a planned permanent living arrangement as desired, the summons served on the parents of the child contains as is appropriate a full explanation that the granting of an order for permanent custody permanently divests them of their parental rights, a full explanation that an adjudication that the child is an abused, neglected, or dependent child may result in an order of temporary custody that will cause the removal of the child from their legal custody until the court terminates the order of temporary custody or permanently divests the parents of their parental rights, or a full explanation that the granting of an order for a planned permanent living arrangement will result in the removal of the child from their legal custody if any of the conditions listed in divisions (A)(5)(a) to (c) of this section are found to exist, and the summons served on the parents contains a full explanation of their right to be represented by counsel and to have counsel appointed pursuant to Chapter 120. of the Revised Code if they are indigent.

If after making disposition as authorized by division (A)(2) of this section, a motion is filed that requests permanent custody of the child, the court may grant permanent custody of the child to the movant in accordance with section 2151.414 of the Revised Code.

(D) If the court issues an order for protective supervision pursuant to division (A)(1) of this section, the court may place any reasonable restrictions upon the child, the child's parents, guardian, or custodian, or any other person, including, but not limited to, any of the following:

(1) Order a party, within forty-eight hours after the issuance of the order, to vacate the child's home indefinitely or for a specified period of time;

(2) Order a party, a parent of the child, or a physical custodian of the child to prevent any particular person from having contact with the child;

(3) Issue an order restraining or otherwise controlling the conduct of any person which

conduct would not be in the best interest of the child.

(E) As part of its dispositional order, the court shall journalize a case plan for the child. The journalized case plan shall not be changed except as provided in section 2151.412 of the Revised Code.

(F)(1) The court shall retain jurisdiction over any child for whom the court issues an order of disposition pursuant to division (A) of this section or pursuant to section 2151.414 or 2151.415 of the Revised Code until the child attains the age of eighteen years if the child is not mentally retarded, developmentally disabled, or physically impaired, the child attains the age of twenty-one years if the child is mentally retarded, developmentally disabled, or physically impaired, or the child is adopted and a final decree of adoption is issued, except that the court may retain jurisdiction over the child and continue any order of disposition under division (A) of this section or under section 2151.414 or 2151.415 of the Revised Code for a specified period of time to enable the child to graduate from high school or vocational school. The court shall retain jurisdiction over a person who meets the requirements described in division (A)(1) of section 5101.1411 of the Revised Code and who is subject to a voluntary participation agreement that is in effect. The court shall make an entry continuing its jurisdiction under this division in the journal.

(2) Any public children services agency, any private child placing agency, the department of job and family services, or any party, other than any parent whose parental rights with respect to the child have been terminated pursuant to an order issued under division (A)(4) of this section, by filing a motion with the court, may at any time request the court to modify or terminate any order of disposition issued pursuant to division (A) of this section or section 2151.414 or 2151.415 of the Revised Code. The court shall hold a hearing upon the motion as if the hearing were the original dispositional hearing and shall give all parties to the action and the guardian ad litem notice of the hearing pursuant to the Juvenile Rules. If applicable, the court shall comply with section 2151.42 of the Revised Code.

(G) Any temporary custody order issued pursuant to division (A) of this section shall terminate one year after the earlier of the date on which the complaint in the case was filed or the child was first placed into shelter care, except that, upon the filing of a motion pursuant to section 2151.415 of the Revised Code, the temporary custody order shall continue and not terminate until the court issues a dispositional order under that section. In resolving the motion, the court shall not order an existing temporary custody order to continue beyond two years after the date on which the complaint was filed or the child was first placed into shelter care, whichever date is earlier, regardless of whether any extensions have been previously ordered pursuant to division (D) of section 2151.415 of the Revised Code.

(H)(1) No later than one year after the earlier of the date the complaint in the case was filed or the child was first placed in shelter care, a party may ask the court to extend an order for protective supervision for six months or to terminate the order. A party requesting extension or termination of the order shall file a written request for the extension or termination with the court and give notice of the proposed extension or termination in writing before the end of the day after the day of filing it to all parties and the child's guardian ad litem. If a public children services agency or private child placing agency requests termination of the order, the agency shall file a written status report setting out the facts supporting termination of the order at the time it files the request with the court. If no

party requests extension or termination of the order, the court shall notify the parties that the court will extend the order for six months or terminate it and that it may do so without a hearing unless one of the parties requests a hearing. All parties and the guardian ad litem shall have seven days from the date a notice is sent pursuant to this division to object to and request a hearing on the proposed extension or termination.

(a) If it receives a timely request for a hearing, the court shall schedule a hearing to be held no later than thirty days after the request is received by the court. The court shall give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the guardian ad litem. At the hearing, the court shall determine whether extension or termination of the order is in the child's best interest. If termination is in the child's best interest, the court shall terminate the order. If extension is in the child's best interest, the court shall extend the order for six months.

(b) If it does not receive a timely request for a hearing, the court may extend the order for six months or terminate it without a hearing and shall journalize the order of extension or termination not later than fourteen days after receiving the request for extension or termination or after the date the court notifies the parties that it will extend or terminate the order. If the court does not extend or terminate the order, it shall schedule a hearing to be held no later than thirty days after the expiration of the applicable fourteen-day time period and give notice of the date, time, and location of the hearing to all parties and the child's guardian ad litem. At the hearing, the court shall determine whether extension or termination of the order is in the child's best interest. If termination is in the child's best interest, the court shall terminate the order. If extension is in the child's best interest, the court shall issue an order extending the order for protective supervision six months.

(2) If the court grants an extension of the order for protective supervision pursuant to division (H)(1) of this section, a party may, prior to termination of the extension, file with the court a request for an additional extension of six months or for termination of the order. The court and the parties shall comply with division (H)(1) of this section with respect to extending or terminating the order.

(3) If a court grants an extension pursuant to division (H)(2) of this section, the court shall terminate the order for protective supervision at the end of the extension.

(I) The court shall not issue a dispositional order pursuant to division (A) of this section that removes a child from the child's home unless the court complies with section 2151.419 of the Revised Code and includes in the dispositional order the findings of fact required by that section.

(J) If a motion or application for an order described in division (A)(6) of this section is made, the court shall not issue the order unless, prior to the issuance of the order, it provides to the person all of the following:

- (1) Notice and a copy of the motion or application;
- (2) The grounds for the motion or application;
- (3) An opportunity to present evidence and witnesses at a hearing regarding the motion or application;
- (4) An opportunity to be represented by counsel at the hearing.

(K) The jurisdiction of the court shall terminate one year after the date of the award or, if the court takes any further action in the matter subsequent to the award, the date of the latest further action subsequent to the award, if the court awards legal custody of a child to either of the following:

- (1) A legal custodian who, at the time of the award of legal custody, resides in a county of this

state other than the county in which the court is located;

(2) A legal custodian who resides in the county in which the court is located at the time of the award of legal custody, but moves to a different county of this state prior to one year after the date of the award or, if the court takes any further action in the matter subsequent to the award, one year after the date of the latest further action subsequent to the award.

The court in the county in which the legal custodian resides then shall have jurisdiction in the matter.

Sec. 5103.03. (A) The director of job and family services shall adopt rules as necessary for the adequate and competent management and certification of institutions or associations. The director shall ensure that foster care home study rules adopted under this section align any home study content, time period, and process with any home study content, time period, and process required by rules adopted under section 3107.033 of the Revised Code.

(B)(1) Except for facilities under the control of the department of youth services, places of detention for children established and maintained pursuant to sections 2152.41 to 2152.44 of the Revised Code, and child day-care centers subject to Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code, the department of job and family services ~~every two years~~ shall pass upon the fitness of every institution and association that receives, or desires to receive and care for children, or places children in private homes, at a frequency established by rules adopted under division (A) of this section.

(2) When the department of job and family services is satisfied as to the care given such children, and that the requirements of the statutes and rules covering the management of such institutions and associations are being complied with, it shall issue to the institution or association a certificate to that effect. A certificate is valid for ~~two years, unless sooner revoked by the department~~ length of time determined by rules adopted under division (A) of this section. When determining whether an institution or association meets a particular requirement for certification, the department may consider the institution or association to have met the requirement if the institution or association shows to the department's satisfaction that it has met a comparable requirement to be accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation organization.

(3) The department may issue a temporary certificate valid for less than one year authorizing an institution or association to operate until minimum requirements have been met.

(4) An institution or association that knowingly makes a false statement that is included as a part of certification under this section is guilty of the offense of falsification under section 2921.13 of the Revised Code and the department shall not certify that institution or association.

(5) The department shall not issue a certificate to a prospective foster home or prospective specialized foster home pursuant to this section if the prospective foster home or prospective specialized foster home operates as a type A family day-care home pursuant to Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code. The department shall not issue a certificate to a prospective specialized foster home if the prospective specialized foster home operates a type B family day-care home pursuant to Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code.

(C) The department may revoke a certificate if it finds that the institution or association is in violation of law or rule. No juvenile court shall commit a child to an association or institution that is required to be certified under this section if its certificate has been revoked or, if after revocation, the date of reissue is less than fifteen months prior to the proposed commitment.

~~(D) Every two years, on a date~~ On a frequency specified by the department by rules adopted under division (A) of this section, each institution or association desiring certification or recertification shall submit to the department a report showing its condition, management, competency to care adequately for the children who have been or may be committed to it or to whom it provides care or services, the system of visitation it employs for children placed in private homes, and other information the department requires.

(E) The department shall, not less than once each year, send a list of certified institutions and associations to each juvenile court and certified association or institution.

(F) No person shall receive children or receive or solicit money on behalf of such an institution or association not so certified or whose certificate has been revoked.

(G)(1) The director may delegate by rule any duties imposed on it by this section to inspect and approve family foster homes and specialized foster homes to public children services agencies, private child placing agencies, or private noncustodial agencies.

(2) The director shall adopt rules that require a foster caregiver or other individual certified to operate a foster home under this section to notify the recommending agency that the foster caregiver or other individual is licensed to operate a type B family day-care home under Chapter 5104. of the Revised Code.

(H) If the director of job and family services determines that an institution or association that cares for children is operating without a certificate, the director may petition the court of common pleas in the county in which the institution or association is located for an order enjoining its operation. The court shall grant injunctive relief upon a showing that the institution or association is operating without a certificate.

(I) If both of the following are the case, the director of job and family services may petition the court of common pleas of any county in which an institution or association that holds a certificate under this section operates for an order, and the court may issue an order, preventing the institution or association from receiving additional children into its care or an order removing children from its care:

(1) The department has evidence that the life, health, or safety of one or more children in the care of the institution or association is at imminent risk.

(2) The department has issued a proposed adjudication order pursuant to Chapter 119. of the Revised Code to deny renewal of or revoke the certificate of the institution or association.

Sec. 5103.031. Except as provided in section 5103.033 of the Revised Code, the department of job and family services may not issue a certificate under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code to a foster home unless the prospective foster caregiver successfully completes ~~the following amount of~~ preplacement training through a preplacement training program approved by the department of job and family services under section 5103.038 of the Revised Code or preplacement training provided under division (B) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code:

~~(A) If the foster home is a family foster home, at least thirty-six hours;~~

~~(B) If the foster home is a specialized foster home, at least thirty-six hours.~~ Up to twenty per cent of the required preplacement training may be provided online.

Sec. 5103.032. (A) Except as provided in ~~divisions (C), (D), and (E)~~ division (B) of this section and in section 5103.033 of the Revised Code ~~and subject to division (B) of this section,~~

department of job and family services may not renew a foster home certificate under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code unless the foster caregiver successfully completes the following amount of continuing training in accordance with the foster caregiver's needs assessment and continuing training plan developed and implemented under section 5103.035 of the Revised Code:

(1) If the foster home is a family foster home, at least forty hours in the preceding two-year period;

(2) If the foster home is a specialized foster home, at least sixty hours in the preceding two-year period.

The continuing training required by this section shall comply with rules the department adopts pursuant to section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code.

(B) A foster caregiver may fulfill up to twenty per cent of the required amount of continuing training described in division (A) of this section by teaching one or more training classes for other foster caregivers or by providing mentorship services to other foster caregivers. The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary for the qualification of foster caregivers to provide training or mentorship services to other foster caregivers.

(C) At the beginning of a foster caregiver's two-year certification period, a public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency acting as a recommending agency for a foster caregiver holding a certificate issued under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code for a family foster home or specialized foster home may waive up to eight hours of continuing training the foster caregiver is otherwise required by division (A) of this section to complete in that two-year certification period if all of the following apply:

(1) The foster caregiver has held a certificate issued under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code for a family foster home or specialized foster home for at least two years;

(2) The foster caregiver has provided foster care for at least ninety days of the twelve months preceding the date the agency issues the waiver;

(3) The foster caregiver has not violated any requirements governing certification of foster homes during the twelve months preceding the date the agency issues the waiver;

(4) The foster caregiver has complied in full with the needs assessment and continuing training plan developed for the foster caregiver under section 5103.035 of the Revised Code for the preceding certification period.

(D) Each recommending agency shall establish and implement a policy regarding good cause for a foster caregiver's failure to complete the continuing training in accordance with division (A) of this section. If the foster caregiver complies with the policy, as determined by the agency, the department may renew the foster caregiver's foster home certificate. The agency shall submit the policy to the department and provide a copy to each foster home the agency recommends for certification or renewal. The policy shall include the following:

(1) What constitutes good cause, including documented illness, critical emergencies, and lack of accessible training programs;

(2) Procedures for developing a scheduled corrective action plan that provides for prompt completion of the continuing training;

(3) Procedures for recommending revocation of the foster home certificate if the foster



~~caregiver fails to comply with the corrective action plan.~~

~~(E)~~ A foster caregiver shall be given an additional amount of time within which the foster caregiver must complete the continuing training required under division (A) of this section in accordance with rules adopted by the department of job and family services if either of the following applies:

(1) The foster caregiver has served in active duty outside this state with a branch of the armed forces of the United States for more than thirty days in the preceding two-year period.

(2) The foster caregiver has served in active duty as a member of the Ohio organized militia, as defined in section 5923.01 of the Revised Code, for more than thirty days in the preceding two-year period and that active duty relates to either an emergency in or outside of this state or to military duty in or outside of this state.

Sec. 5103.033. (A) The department of job and family services may issue or renew a certificate under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code to a foster home for the care of a child who is in the custody of a public children services agency or private child placing agency pursuant to an agreement entered into under section 5103.15 of the Revised Code regarding a child who was less than six months of age on the date the agreement was executed if the prospective foster caregiver or foster caregiver successfully completes the following ~~amount of training~~:

~~(1) For an initial certificate, at least twelve hours of preplacement training through a~~ A ~~preplacement training program approved by the department of job and family services under section 5103.038 of the Revised Code or preplacement training a program provided under division (B) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code;~~

~~(2) For renewal of a certificate, at least twenty-four hours of continuing training in the preceding two-year period in accordance with the foster caregiver's needs assessment and continuing training plan developed and implemented under section 5103.035 of the Revised Code.~~ Continuing training in accordance with the foster caregiver's needs assessment and continuing training plan developed and implemented under section 5103.035 of the Revised Code.

(B) A foster caregiver to whom either division (B)(1) or (2) of this section applies shall be given an additional amount of time within which to complete the continuing training required under division (A)(2) of this section in accordance with rules adopted by the department of job and family services:

(1) The foster caregiver has served in active duty outside this state with a branch of the armed forces of the United States for more than thirty days in the preceding two-year period.

(2) The foster caregiver has served in active duty as a member of the Ohio organized militia, as defined in section 5923.01 of the Revised Code, for more than thirty days in the preceding two-year period and that active duty relates to either an emergency in or outside of this state or to military duty in or outside of this state.

Sec. 5103.035. A public children services agency, private child placing agency, or private noncustodial agency acting as a recommending agency for a foster caregiver shall develop and implement a written needs assessment and continuing training plan for the foster caregiver in accordance with rules adopted under section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code. ~~Each needs assessment and continuing training plan shall satisfy all of the following requirements:~~

~~(A) Be effective for the two-year period the foster caregiver's certificate is in effect;~~

~~(B) Be appropriate for the type of foster home the foster caregiver operates, and include training for the caregiver that relates to providing independent living services, as defined in section 2151.81 of the Revised Code, to a child placed as provided in division (B)(2) of section 2151.353 of the Revised Code;~~

~~(C) Require the foster caregiver to successfully complete the training required by the department in rules adopted pursuant to section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code and any other courses the agency considers appropriate;~~

~~(D) Include criteria the agency is to use to determine whether the foster caregiver has successfully completed the courses;~~

~~(E) Guarantee that the courses the foster caregiver is required to complete are available to the foster caregiver at reasonable times and places;~~

~~(F) Specify the number of hours of continuing training, if any, the foster caregiver may complete by teaching one or more training classes to other foster caregivers or by providing mentoring services to other foster caregivers pursuant to division (B) of section 5103.032 of the Revised Code;~~

~~(G) Specify the number of hours of continuing training, if any, the agency will waive pursuant to division (C) of section 5103.032 of the Revised Code.~~

Sec. 5103.038. (A) Every other year by a date specified in rules adopted under section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code, each private child placing agency and private noncustodial agency that seeks to operate a preplacement training program or continuing training program under section 5103.034 of the Revised Code shall submit to the department of job and family services a proposal outlining the program. The proposal may be the same as, a modification of, or different from, a model design developed by the department.

(B) Not later than thirty days after receiving a proposal under division (A) of this section, the department shall either approve or disapprove the proposed program. The department shall approve a proposed preplacement training program if it complies with ~~section 5103.039 or 5103.0311 rules adopted under section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code~~, as appropriate, and, in the case of a proposal submitted by an agency operating a preplacement training program at the time the proposal is submitted, the department is satisfied with the agency's operation of the program. The department shall approve a proposed continuing training program if it complies with rules adopted ~~pursuant to division (C) of~~ under section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code and, in the case of a proposal submitted by an agency operating a continuing training program at the time the proposal is submitted, the department is satisfied with the agency's operation of the program. If the department disapproves a proposal, it shall provide the reason for disapproval to the agency that submitted the proposal and advise the agency of how to revise the proposal so that the department can approve it.

(C) The department's approval under division (B) of this section of a proposed preplacement training program or continuing training program is valid only for two years following the year the proposal for the program is submitted to the department under division (A) of this section.

Sec. 5103.0313. Except as provided in section 5103.303 of the Revised Code, the department of job and family services shall compensate a private child placing agency or private noncustodial agency for the cost of procuring or operating preplacement and continuing training programs approved by the department of job and family services under section 5103.038 of the Revised Code

for prospective foster caregivers and foster caregivers who are recommended for initial certification or recertification by the agency.

The compensation shall be paid to the agency in the form of an allowance to reimburse the agency for the ~~minimum required amount of preplacement and continuing cost of training provided or received under section 5103.031 or 5103.032 of the Revised Code pursuant to the rules adopted by the department of job and family services in accordance with section 5103.0316 of the Revised Code.~~

Sec. 5103.0314. The department of job and family services shall ~~not compensate~~ adopt rules regarding the compensation of a recommending agency for any training the agency requires a foster caregiver to undergo as a condition of the agency recommending the department certify ~~or recertify~~ the foster caregiver's foster home under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code if the training is in ~~addition to the minimum excess of the training required by under~~ section 5103.031 ~~or 5103.032~~ of the Revised Code.

The department of job and family services shall adopt rules regarding the compensation of a recommending agency for any training the agency requires a foster caregiver to undergo as a condition of the agency recommending the department recertify the foster caregiver's foster home under section 5103.03 of the Revised Code if the training is in addition to the minimum training required under section 5103.032 of the Revised Code.

Sec. 5103.0316. The department of job and family services shall adopt rules in accordance with Chapter 119. of the Revised Code as necessary for the efficient administration of sections 5103.031 to 5103.0316 of the Revised Code. The rules shall provide for all of the following:

(A) For the purpose of section 5103.038 of the Revised Code, the date by which a private child placing agency or private noncustodial agency that seeks to operate a preplacement training program or continuing training program under section 5103.034 of the Revised Code must submit to the department a proposal outlining the program;

(B) Requirements governing the department's compensation of private child placing agencies and private noncustodial agencies under sections 5103.0312 and 5103.0313 of the Revised Code, including the allowance to reimburse the agencies for the cost of providing the training under sections 5103.031, 5103.032, and 5103.033 of the Revised Code;

(C) Requirements governing the continuing training required by sections 5103.032 and 5103.033 of the Revised Code;

(D) The amount of training hours necessary for preplacement training and continuing training for purposes of sections 5103.031, 5103.032, and 5103.033 of the Revised Code;

(E) Courses necessary to meet the preplacement and continuing training requirements for foster homes under sections 5103.031, 5103.032, and 5103.033 of the Revised Code;

(F) Criteria used to create a written needs assessment and continuing training plan for each foster caregiver as required by section 5103.035 of the Revised Code;

(G) Any other matter the department considers appropriate.

Sec. 5103.0317. ~~A foster home may not receive more than five children apart from their parents, guardian, or custodian, except in any of the following circumstances:~~

(A) ~~To accommodate a sibling group or the remaining members of a sibling group;~~

(B) ~~When the additional child or children are related to the foster caregiver by blood or marriage;~~

~~(C) When the additional child or children are foster children who previously resided in the foster home;~~

~~(D) When the additional child or children are the children of a foster child who resides in the foster home. The Director of Job and Family Services shall adopt rules concerning the maximum number of children a foster home may receive and any exceptions to the maximum number.~~

Sec. 5103.31. Training provided under section 5103.30 of the Revised Code shall provide the knowledge, skill, and ability needed to do the jobs that the training is for. The Ohio child welfare training program coordinator shall identify the competencies needed to do the jobs that the training is for so that the training helps the development of those competencies. In addition, the training shall do all of the following:

(A) In the case of the training provided under division (A) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code, comply with the rules adopted under section 3107.015 of the Revised Code;

(B) In the case of the preplacement training provided under division (B) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code, comply with ~~section 5103.039 of the Revised Code and division (A) of the rules adopted under section 5103.0311-5103.0316~~ 5103.0316 of the Revised Code;

(C) In the case of the continuing training provided under division (C) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code, comply with rules adopted under ~~division (C) of section 5103.0316~~ of the Revised Code;

(D) In the case of the training provided under divisions (D) and (E) of section 5103.30 of the Revised Code, comply with rules adopted under section 5153.124 of the Revised Code.

SECTION 2. That existing sections 2151.353, 5103.03, 5103.031, 5103.032, 5103.033, 5103.035, 5103.038, 5103.0313, 5103.0314, 5103.0316, 5103.0317, and 5103.31 and sections 5103.039 and 5103.0311 of the Revised Code are hereby repealed.

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*Speaker* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the House of Representatives.*

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*President* \_\_\_\_\_ *of the Senate.*

Passed \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

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*Governor.*

The section numbering of law of a general and permanent nature is complete and in conformity with the Revised Code.

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*Director, Legislative Service Commission.*

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*Secretary of State.*

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