

AMENDMENTS TO LB 961

Introduced by Health and Human Services

- 1 1. On page 3, line 19, after the semicolon insert "and".
- 2 2. On page 4, strike beginning with the semicolon in line
3 2 through line 17 and insert an underscored period.
- 4 3. On page 5, line 13, before "The" insert "(1)".
- 5 4. On page 6, line 4, strike "ten percent each year" and
6 insert "twenty-five percent each year beginning with a twenty-five
7 percent reduction on or before September 1, 2012, and a twenty-five
8 percent reduction on or before each September 1 thereafter";
9 in line 6 after the period insert "Beginning September 15,
10 2012, the department shall include in its annual report required
11 pursuant to section 68-1207.01 a report on the attainment of the
12 increase according to caseload standards established by the Child
13 Welfare League of America or its successor. The department's annual
14 report shall also include changes in the standards of the Child
15 Welfare League of America."; after line 6 insert the following new
16 subsections:
17 "(2) Caseload size shall be determined in the following
18 manner: (a) If children are placed in the home, the family shall
19 count as one case regardless of how many children are placed in the
20 home; (b) if a child is placed out of his or her home, the child
21 shall count as one case; (c) if, within one family, one or more
22 children are placed in the home and one or more children are placed
23 out of the home, the children placed in the home shall count as

1 one case and each child placed out of the home shall count as one
2 case; and (d) any child receiving services from the department or a
3 private entity under contract with the department shall be counted
4 as provided in subdivisions (a) through (c) of this subsection
5 whether or not such child is a ward of the state. For purposes of
6 this subsection, a child is considered to be placed in the home if
7 the child is placed with his or her biological or adoptive parent
8 or a legal guardian and a child is considered to be placed out of
9 the home if the child is placed in foster care, group home care, or
10 any other setting which is not the child's planned permanent home.

11 (3)"; and in line 12 before "To" insert "(4)".

12 5. On page 8, line 3, strike "2013" and insert "2014".