

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2003 and 2004 HB4305

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

20 ILCS 505/22.2-5 new

Amends the Children and Family Services Act. Requires the Department of Children and Family Services to create and maintain an Internet-based information source to provide interactive training to assist foster parents in developing the skills necessary to care for the emotional, mental, and physical needs of children within the foster care system. Provides that the information source must include, at least once every 8 weeks, a web-cast seminar on varying topics selected by the Department concerning foster care and the foster children.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning foster care services.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended by adding Section 22.2-5 as follows:
- 6 (20 ILCS 505/22.2-5 new)
- 7 Sec. 22.2-5. Internet training for foster parents. The 8 Department must create and maintain an Internet-based information source to provide, without limitation, interactive 9 training to assist foster parents in developing the skills 10 necessary to care for the emotional, mental, and physical needs 11 of children within the foster care system. The information 12 source must include, at once every 8 weeks, a web-cast seminar 13 on varying topics, selected by the Department, concerning 14
- 15 <u>foster care and foster children.</u>