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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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FLOOR AMENDMENT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

BY: \_\_\_\_\_

1 Amend C.S.H.B. No. 6 (house committee report) by adding the  
2 following appropriately numbered SECTIONS to the bill and  
3 renumbering subsequent SECTIONS of the bill accordingly:

4 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter A, Chapter 262, Family Code, is  
5 amended by adding Section 262.013 to read as follows:

6 Sec. 262.013. PRIORITY IN PLACEMENT. In placing a child  
7 with a foster parent, the department shall give priority to family  
8 homes with the fewest number of foster children in the home that can  
9 best meet the needs of a foster child, if the prioritization does  
10 not contradict the best interests of a child or established  
11 department performance measures.

12 SECTION \_\_\_\_\_. Subchapter B, Chapter 264, Family Code, is  
13 amended by adding Section 264.1252 to read as follows:

14 Sec. 264.1252. REIMBURSEMENT FOR ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES;  
15 CRIMINAL OFFENSE. (a) In this section, "enrichment activities"  
16 includes athletic camps and competition, art and music classes and  
17 camps, school-related extracurricular activities, faith-based  
18 camps or mission trips, and the Boy Scouts of America and the Girl  
19 Scouts of the United States of America, or similar organizations  
20 and activities. The term does not include entertainment activities  
21 that a child participates in solely with the child's foster parent.

22 (b) At the foster parent's discretion, the foster parent may  
23 enroll a foster child in age-appropriate enrichment activities.

24 (c) The department shall reimburse a foster parent for  
25 monetary expenses relating to the participation of a child in  
26 enrichment activities not to exceed \$200 per month for each child.  
27 The foster parent must provide the department with receipts for  
28 expenses under this subsection to receive reimbursement.

29 (d) A person commits an offense if, with intent to defraud

1 or deceive the department, the person knowingly makes or causes to  
2 be made a false statement or misrepresentation of a material fact  
3 that allows a person to receive a reimbursement under Subsection  
4 (c). An offense under this subsection is a Class C misdemeanor.