

**Executive Committee** 

## Adopted in House Comm. on Feb 19, 2009

	09600HB0726ham001	LRB096 08554 RCE 21425 a
1	AMENDMENT TO I	HOUSE BILL 726
2	AMENDMENT NO Amen	d House Bill 726 on page 2, by
3	replacing lines 1 through 13 wit	h the following:
4	"Midwest/Low Cost Index.	
5	By March 1, 2010 and March 1 of each year thereafter, the	
6	Department of Children and Fami	ly Services shall report to the
7	Governor and General Assembly the estimated cost and additional	
8	funding required to establish	the rate for each child up to
9	100% of the Foster Care Minim	um Adequate Rates for Children
10	(MARC) for expenditures allowab	le under the federal Title IV-E
11	Foster Care Maintenance Progra	am of the Social Security Act
12	related to the actual costs	of providing food, clothing,
13	shelter, daily supervision,	school supplies, personal
14	incidentals, insurance, and	cravel for visitation with a
15	child's biological family, join	tly recommended by the National
16	Foster Parent Association, the U	Iniversity of Maryland School of
17	Social Work, and the organiz	ation Children's Rights in a

- 1 technical report entitled "Hitting the M.A.R.C.: Establishing
- 2 Foster Care Minimum Adequate Rates for Children", dated October
- 3 <u>2007.</u>".