

1 AN ACT concerning State government.

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

4 Section 5. The Children and Family Services Act is amended  
5 by adding Section 4c as follows:

6 (20 ILCS 505/4c new)

7 Sec. 4c. Temporary residential shelter services. Any child  
8 care facility authorized by the Department to provide temporary  
9 residential shelter services to children in the guardianship,  
10 temporary custody, or protective custody of the Department  
11 shall:

12 (1) provide interventions and activities that engage  
13 the children and youth in its care;

14 (2) maintain staffing levels that ensure a safe  
15 environment;

16 (3) implement protocols that require screening and  
17 assessment upon admission to evaluate behaviors that  
18 indicate the risk of elopement and physical aggression,  
19 with the findings reflected in the individual service plan  
20 and updated periodically as new behaviors manifest;

21 (4) establish rules and procedures that prevent the  
22 violation of curfew laws and that do not permit any child  
23 under the age of 18 to leave the facility for any period of

1 time prior to the child's complete discharge from the  
2 temporary shelter program, unless the child is accompanied  
3 by a responsible adult or the facility or the Department  
4 authorizes the child to leave the facility for a particular  
5 purpose; and

6 (5) whenever a child or youth is absent from the  
7 facility without authorization, utilize the standards of  
8 best practice and adopt actionable steps to locate and  
9 return the child or youth to the facility, including, but  
10 not limited to, calling any known contacts, interviewing  
11 peer groups likely to know whereabouts, searching  
12 community places frequented by the child or youth, and  
13 checking schools and work sites; actionable steps shall be  
14 frequent and documented and available for review by the  
15 Department.

16 A child care facility shall have its admissions placed on  
17 hold by the Department whenever unauthorized absences from the  
18 facility are excessive; the admissions hold shall remain in  
19 effect until the facility has complied with a corrective action  
20 plan prescribed by the Department, and if the facility is  
21 non-compliant, the Department shall impose licensing sanctions  
22 up to and including the revocation of the facility's license.

23 The Department shall adopt any rules necessary to implement  
24 the requirements of this Section and shall monitor a child care  
25 facility to ensure that the facility establishes and adheres to  
26 these requirements. Nothing in this Section shall be

1 interpreted to create a "secure child care facility" as defined  
2 in the Child Care Act of 1969.