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AN ACT in relation to children and families.

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

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

6 (20 ILCS 505/5c)

Sec. 5c. Direct child welfare service employee license. 7 By January 1, 2000, the Department, in consultation with 8 private child welfare agencies, shall develop and implement a 9 direct child welfare service employee license. By January 1, 10 2001 all child protective investigators and supervisors and 11 child welfare specialists and supervisors employed by the 12 13 Department or its contractors shall be required to demonstrate sufficient knowledge and skills to obtain and 14 maintain this the license. The Direct Child Welfare Service 15 16 Employee License Board of the Department shall have the authority to revoke or suspend the license of anyone who 17 18 after a hearing is found to be guilty of misfeasance. The Department shall promulgate such rules as necessary to 19 20 implement this Section.

21 On or before January 1, 2000, and every year thereafter, 22 the Department shall submit an annual report to the General 23 Assembly on the implementation of this Section.

24 (Source: P.A. 92-471, eff. 8-22-01.)