HOUSE BILL 1101

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1 AN ACT Relating to modifying a foster parent license due to a 2 change of residence; and amending RCW 74.15.100.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 74.15.100 and 2006 c 265 s 403 are each amended to 5 read as follows:

Each agency shall make application for a license or renewal of б 7 license to the department of social and health services on forms prescribed by the department. A licensed agency having foster-family 8 9 homes under its supervision may make application for a license on behalf of any such foster-family home. Such a foster home license 10 11 shall cease to be valid when the home is no longer under the supervision of that agency. Upon receipt of such application, the 12 13 department shall either grant or deny a license within ninety days 14 unless the application is for licensure as a foster-family home, in 15 which case RCW 74.15.040 shall govern. A license shall be granted if 16 the agency meets the minimum requirements set forth in chapter 74.15 17 RCW and RCW 74.13.031 and the departmental requirements consistent 18 herewith, except that an initial license may be issued as provided in 19 RCW 74.15.120. Licenses provided for in chapter 74.15 RCW and RCW

74.13.031 shall be issued for a period of three years. The licensee, 1 2 however, shall advise the secretary of any material change in circumstances which might constitute grounds for reclassification of 3 license as to category. The license issued under this chapter is not 4 transferable and applies only to the licensee ((and the)). The license 5 6 must be limited to a particular location which must be stated ((in)) on the ((application)) license. For licensed foster-family homes having 7 an acceptable history of child care, the license may remain in effect 8 9 for ((two weeks)) thirty days after a move, except that this will apply only if the family remains intact. 10 Licensees must notify their 11 licensor before moving to a new location and may request a continuation of the license at the new location. At the request of the licensee, 12 the department shall, within thirty days following a foster-family home 13 licensee's move to a new location, amend the license to reflect the new 14 location, provided the new location and the licensee meet minimum 15 16 licensing standards.

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