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DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES

NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT

- 1) Heading of the Part: Authorized Child Care Payments
- 2) Code Citation: 89 III. Adm. Code 359
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<u>Section Numbers:</u> 359.2	<u>Proposed Actions</u> Amendment
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- 4) Statutory Authority: Implementing and authorized by Sections 4 and 5 of the Children and Family Services Act [20 ILCS 505].
- 5) A Complete Description of the Subjects and Issues Involved: These changes implement Public Act 97-1076 concerning contact between siblings who are placed apart (foster care and post permanency).  
  
Sections affected:
  - **Rule 359.2** - Definition of “sibling” is broadened to comport with sibling contact legislation. “Contact between siblings” and “visitation” are also defined. Definition of “relative” is expanded to include additional statutory language in Section 7 of the C&FS Act. Definitions quoted verbatim from statutes have been reviewed and updated.
- 6) Published studies and reports, and sources of underlying data used to compose this rulemaking: None
- 7) Will these proposed amendments replace an emergency rule currently in effect? No
- 8) Do these proposed amendments contain an automatic repeal date? No
- 9) Do these proposed amendments contain incorporations by reference? No
- 10) Are there any other amendments pending on this Part? No
- 11) Statement of Statewide Policy Objectives: This rulemaking does not create or expand the state mandate as defined in Section 3(b) of the State Mandates Act [30 ILCS 805/3(b)].
- 12) Time, Place, and Manner in which interested persons may comment on this proposed rulemaking:

Comments on this proposed rulemaking may be submitted in writing for a period of 45 days following publication of this notice. Comments should be submitted to:

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The Department will consider fully all written comments on this proposed rulemaking submitted during the 45-day comment period. Comments submitted by small businesses should be identified as such.

- 13) Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis: The Department has determined that the proposed amendments will not have an economic impact on small businesses.
- 14) Regulatory Agenda on which this rulemaking was summarized: January 2014

The full text of the Proposed Amendment begins on the next page.