**Resolve, To Help Children in Therapeutic Foster Care Move toward Adoption**

**Sec.** **1. Department of Health and Human Services to increase the amount** **of adoption assistance. Resolved:** That no later than October 1, 2021, the Department of Health and Human Services shall amend its rules in 10-148, Chapter 13 to require that an adoptive family receive the same level of financial assistance for long-term or limited-period adoption assistance as the family received when the child was in treatment-level foster care. The department shall increase the amount of its long-term adoption assistance and limited-period adoption assistance to equal the reimbursement rates provided in 10-148, Chapter 14 for a child who has been assessed to require a treatment level of foster care at level C, D or E. Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

**SUMMARY**

This resolve directs the Department of Health and Human Services to require that an adoptive family receive the same level of financial assistance for long-term or limited-period adoption assistance as the family received when the child was in treatment-level foster care.