

(5) -- the effort the natural parent has made to adjust the natural parent's circumstances, conduct, or conditions to make it in the best interest of the child to be returned to the natural parent's home, including:

(i) -- the extent to which the natural parent has maintained regular contact with the child under a plan to reunite the child with the natural parent, but the court may not give significant weight to any incidental visit, communication, or contribution;

(ii) -- if the natural parent is financially able, the payment of a reasonable part of the child's substitute physical care and maintenance;

(iii) -- the maintenance of regular communication by the natural parent with the custodian of the child, {and}

(iv) -- whether additional services would be likely to bring about a lasting parental adjustment so that the child could be returned to the natural parent within an ascertainable time, but the court may not consider whether the maintenance of the parent-child relationship may serve as an inducement for the natural parent's rehabilitation. } AND

(6) -- WHETHER THE CHILD HAS BEEN IN FOSTER CARE, AND IF SO:

(I) -- THE LENGTH OF TIME THE CHILD HAS BEEN IN THE CARE OF THE FOSTER PARENT;

(II) -- THE CHILD'S FEELINGS TOWARD AND EMOTIONAL TIES WITH THE FOSTER PARENT;

(III) -- THE CHILD'S ADJUSTMENT TO THE FOSTER HOME, SCHOOL, AND COMMUNITY;

(IV) -- THE FOSTER PARENT'S ABILITY AND DESIRE TO CONTINUE CARING FOR THE FOSTER CHILD, AND

(V) -- ANY OTHER RELEVANT FACTORS CONCERNING THE FOSTER CARE, CHILD, OR PARENT.

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In passing on a petition for adoption, a court:

(1) -- shall consider any assurance by the Social Services Administration that it will provide funds for necessary support and maintenance for the child, and

(2) -- may consider the religious background, training, and beliefs of the natural parents, the prospective adoptive