- **{**(g)**}**(H) Subject to the hearing provisions of subsection **{**(h)**}**(H) of this section, the Institute may deny an application for **{**an ambulance**}** A COMMERCIAL EMERCENCY MEDICAL service license or suspend or revoke a license if the applicant or licensee violates any provision of this section or any regulation adopted by the Institute under this section.
- f(h)](1) Before the Institute takes any final action under subsection f(g)] (H) of this section, the Institute shall give the person against whom the action is contemplated an opportunity for a hearing [in accordance with] UNDER the provisions of § 10-226 of the State Government Article:
- **[(i)]** (J) The Institute may waive the requirements of this section for any fambulance service] COMMERCIAL EMERCENCY MEDICAL SERVICE WHICH TRANSPORTS PATIENTS BY AMBULANCE:
- (1) Licensed in another state if the [ambulance] COMMERCIAL EMERCENCY MEDICAL service provides adequate evidence that the [ambulance] COMMERCIAL EMERCENCY MEDICAL service is licensed in the other state after meeting requirements that are at least as stringent as the licensing requirements of this State; or
- (2) {That transports patients into} INTO this State only on an occasional basis as determined by the Institute.
- **[(j)]** (K) A person who violates any provision of this section or any regulation adopted by the Institute under this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$1,000.
- **{**(k)**}**(L) This section preempts the authority of a county or municipal corporation to regulate any **{**ambulance**}** COMMERCIAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL service with a base of operation located outside the county or municipal corporation that is licensed [in accordance with the provisions of] UNDER this section.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

Approved May 15, 2001.

CHAPTER 346

(Senate Bill 44)

AN ACT concerning

Family Law - Adoption Subsidies - Level of Payment

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Human Resources to provide a higher adoption subsidy payment increasing the allowable amount of a certain adoption subsidy for certain children; and generally relating to adoption subsidies.