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A BILL

- 1 FOR AN ACT relating to social services; to amend section 68-1206,
- 2 Revised Statutes Supplement, 2007; to change provisions 3 relating to contracts; and to repeal the original
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- 4 section.
- 5 Be it enacted by the people of the State of Nebraska,

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Section 1. Section 68-1206, Revised Statutes Supplement,
2007, is amended to read:

3 68-1206 (1) The Department of Health and Human Services shall administer the program of social services in this state. The 4 5 department may contract with other social agencies for the purchase 6 of social services at rates not to exceed those prevailing in the state or the cost at which the department could provide those 7 8 services. The department shall contract with other social agencies 9 for the provision of foster care services as defined in section 10 71-1901 at rates not to exceed the cost at which the department 11 could provide these services. The statutory maximum payments for 12 the separate program of aid to dependent children shall apply only 13 to public assistance grants and shall not apply to payments for 14 social services.

15 (2) In determining the rate or rates to be paid by 16 the department for child care as defined in section 43-2605, the department shall adopt a fixed-rate schedule for the state or a 17 18 fixed-rate schedule for an area of the state applicable to each child care program category of provider as defined in section 19 20 71-1910 which may claim reimbursement for services provided by 21 the federal Child Care Subsidy program, except that the department 22 shall not pay a rate higher than that charged by an individual provider to that provider's private clients. The schedule may 23 provide separate rates for care for infants, for children with 24 25 special needs, including disabilities or technological dependence,

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LB 1029 LB 1029 1 or for other individual categories of children. The schedule shall 2 be effective on October 1 of every year and shall be revised 3 annually by the department. 4 Sec. 2. Original section 68-1206, Revised Statutes

5 Supplement, 2007, is repealed.