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Here's what happened:

Paper #187, Alternatives A1, B3, B5, C1, and D2 (looks like the only changes to Gov are B5 and D2).

Paper #189, Alternatives 1 and 5a. 5a would change kinship care payments to be the same as level one foster care under the bill.

Paper #191, Alternatives A1 and B1. Alternative A1 involves the errata (don't forget to change 48.931(3)(c)5r, too)

2 motions: #532 for the IEP extension and #530 for the confidential information exchange. They're not accessible to me yet, so I'll have the administrative staff forward them to you.

Thanks much!

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16. The Committee could increase the kinship care rates by the same percentage in each of the alternatives (Alternatives 5a through 5d). Under Alternative 5a, an estimated \$239,600 FED in 2013-14 and \$678,800 FED in 2014-15 would be needed to fund an increase to kinship care payments of 2.5% in January, 2014, and another 2.5% in January, 2015. Under Alternative 5b, an estimated \$439,200 FED in 2013-14 and \$878,400 FED in 2014-15 would be needed to fund an increase to kinship care payments of 5% in January, 2014. Under Alternative 5c, an estimated \$79,900 FED in 2013-14 and \$239,600 FED in 2014-15 would be needed to fund an increase to kinship care payments of 1% in January, 2014, and another 1% in January, 2015. Finally, under Alternative 5d, an estimated \$239,600 FED in 2013-14 and \$479,100 FED in 2014-15 would be needed to fund an increase to kinship care payments of 2.5% in January, 2014.

17. The kinship care payment rates under the bill and under Alternatives 5a, 5b, 5c, and 5d are shown in the following table.

TABLE 6

**Kinship Care Rates - Under AB 40 (Current Law)
and Alternatives 5a, 5b, 5c, and 5d**

<u>Year</u>	<u>AB 40</u>	<u>Alternative 5a</u>	<u>Alternative 5b</u>	<u>Alternative 5c</u>	<u>Alternative 5d</u>
2014	\$220	\$226	\$231	\$222	\$226
2015	220	232	231	224	226

18. The Committee could also choose not to increase kinship care payments. As a result, level one foster care payments would be more than kinship care payments. This could reflect a policy choice to indicate that caregivers who undergo the licensing process should receive higher rates. However, kinship care payments and level one foster care payments are for similar caretakers, and kinship care providers are also required to undergo background investigations in order to receive kinship care payments.

19. Finally the Committee could choose to not provide an increase to the foster care basic maintenance rates (Alternative 6). However, as shown in Table 4, the state's rates are lower than nearby states, and these lower rates may deter families from becoming foster families. Increasing the rates could provide an incentive to attract more foster families.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve the Governor's recommended foster care rate increases, but modify the funding amount to reflect more recent estimates of the costs of the Governor's proposal. Increase funding in the bill by \$59,100 (\$44,500 GPR and \$14,600 FED) in 2013-14 and reduce funding in the bill by \$148,200 (-\$111,600 GPR and -\$36,600 FED) in 2014-15.

ALT 1	Change to Bill Funding
GPR	- \$67,100
FED	<u>- 22,000</u>
Total	- \$89,100

2. Modify the Governor's recommendation to increase foster care rates by 5% beginning January 1, 2014. Increase funding in the bill by \$282,800 (\$212,900 GPR and \$69,900 FED) in 2013-14 and \$74,500 (\$56,000 GPR and \$18,500 FED) in 2014-15.

ALT 2	Change to Bill Funding
GPR	\$268,900
FED	<u>88,400</u>
Total	\$357,300

3. Modify the Governor's recommendation to increase foster care rates by 1% beginning January 1, 2014, and by another 1%, beginning January 1, 2015. Decrease funding in the bill by \$69,100 (-\$52,000 GPR and -\$17,100 FED) in 2013-14 and by \$535,100 (-\$402,900 GPR and -\$132,200 FED) in 2014-15.

ALT 3	Change to Bill Funding
GPR	- \$454,900
FED	<u>- 149,300</u>
Total	- \$604,200

4. Modify the Governor's recommendation to increase foster rates by 2.5% beginning January 1, 2014. Increase funding in the bill by \$59,100 (\$44,500 GPR and \$14,600 FED) in 2013-14 and reduce funding in the bill by \$372,900 (-\$280,800 GPR and -\$92,100 FED) in 2014-15.

ALT 4	Change to Bill Funding
GPR	- \$236,300
FED	<u>- 77,500</u>
Total	- \$313,800

5. Increase kinship care payments by one of the following amounts:

a. Increase TANF funding for kinship care payments by \$239,600 FED in 2013-14 and \$678,800 FED in 2014-15 to reflect a 2.5% increase beginning January 1, 2014, and another 2.5% increase beginning January 1, 2015.



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**FOR 2013-2015 BUDGET – NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION
ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT ,
TO ASSEMBLY BILL 40**

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1 At the locations indicated, amend the bill as follows:

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1 to a kinship care relative who is providing care and maintenance for a child if all of
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History: 1977 c. 29; 1977 c. 83 s. 26; 1977 c. 271, 354, 418, 447, 449; 1979 c. 34, 221; 1981 c. 329; 1983 a. 189 s. 329 (17); 1983 a. 447; 1985 a. 176; 1987 a. 339; 1993 a. 385, 395, 446, 491; 1995 a. 27 ss. 2575 to 2579m, 9126 (19); 1995 a. 77, 289, 443; 1997 a. 3, 27, 35, 36, 41, 105, 237, 252, 292; 1999 a. 9, 103, 133, 162; 2001 a. 16 ss. 1629, 4036-4038, 4040, 4042, 4043; 2001 a. 38, 59, 69, 109; 2005 a. 25, 232, 293; 2007 a. 20; 2009 a. 28, 71, 94, 180; 2011 a. 32.

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