

SENATE NO. 104

AN ACT RELATIVE TO FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION IN THE COMMONWEALTH

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled,
And by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law, rule or regulation to the contrary,
2 section 595 of chapter 151 of the acts of 1996 is hereby amended in line 12 after the word
3 “arrangement” by striking out the following:- is necessary in order to place siblings in the same
4 residence

5 SECTION 2. Said section 595 is hereby further amended by adding at the end thereof the
6 following:- ; provided further, that more than a total of 6 children may live in the same
7 residence where such an arrangement is necessary in order to place siblings, with the express
8 consent of the commissioner of the department of social services, or his designee.

9 SECTION 3. Said section 595 is hereby further amended in line 11 by striking out the word
10 “secretary” and inserting in place thereof the following:- commissioner

11 SECTION 4. Said section 595 is hereby further amended in line 4 by striking out the words
12 “human and community services” and inserting in place thereof the following:- the executive
13 office of health and human services