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11	Senator Laurent moved the following amendment:		
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13	<b>Senate Amendment (with title amendment)</b>		
14	On page 20, between lines 16 and 17,		
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16	insert:		
17	Section 11. Present paragraph (c) of subsection (13)		
18	of section 409.175, Florida Statutes, is redesignated as		
19	paragraph (d) and a new paragraph (c) is added to that		
20	subsection to read:		
21	409.175 Licensure of family foster homes, residential		
22	child-caring agencies, and child-placing agencies.--		
23	(13)		
24	<u>(c) In consultation with foster parents, each district</u>		
25	<u>or lead agency shall develop a plan for making the completion</u>		
26	<u>of the required training as convenient as possible for</u>		
27	<u>potential foster parents and emergency-shelter parents. The</u>		
28	<u>plan should include, without limitation, such strategies as</u>		
29	<u>providing training in nontraditional locations and at</u>		
30	<u>nontraditional times. The plan must be revised at least</u>		
31	<u>annually and must be included in the information provided to</u>		

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1 each person applying to become a foster parent or  
2 emergency-shelter parent.

3 Section 12. Section 409.1753, Florida Statutes, is  
4 created to read:

5 409.1753 Foster care; duties.--The department shall  
6 ensure that, within each district, each foster home is given a  
7 telephone number for the foster parent to call during normal  
8 working hours whenever immediate assistance is needed and the  
9 child's caseworker is unavailable. This number must be staffed  
10 and answered by individuals possessing the knowledge and  
11 authority necessary to assist foster parents.

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13 (Redesignate subsequent sections.)

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16 ===== T I T L E A M E N D M E N T =====

17 And the title is amended as follows:

18 On page 2, line 25, after the semicolon,

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20 insert:

21 amending s. 409.175, F.S.; requiring a plan for  
22 streamlining foster parent training; creating  
23 s. 409.1753, F.S.; requiring the development of  
24 a plan for making the completion of required  
25 training convenient for potential foster  
26 parents and emergency-shelter parents;

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