

**237.14 Enhanced child foster care services.**

The department shall provide for enhanced child foster care services by establishing supplemental per diem or performance-based contracts that include payment of costs relating to payments of principal and interest for bonds and notes issued pursuant to [section 16.57](#) with facilities that provide special services to children who would otherwise be placed in a state juvenile institution or an out-of-state program. Before completion of the department's budget estimate as required by [section 8.23](#), the department shall determine and include in the estimate the amount which should be appropriated for enhanced child foster care services for the forthcoming fiscal year in order to provide sufficient services.

[90 Acts, ch 1239, §14; 2014 Acts, ch 1080, §84, 98; 2015 Acts, ch 29, §38; 2025 Acts, ch 135, §24](#)

Section amended