

214 requirements of this section, before a child in state custody is placed with a prospective foster
215 parent or a prospective adoptive parent, the Department of Human Services shall comply with
216 Section 78B-6-131.

217 (6) (a) ~~§~~→ [A ~~person~~ ~~professional~~] An individual ←~~§~~ described in Subsection (2)(c) shall
217a be licensed to
218 practice under the laws of:

- 219 (i) this state; or
- 220 (ii) the state, district, or territory of the United States where the prospective adoptive
221 parent or other person living in the prospective adoptive home resides.

222 (b) The evaluation described in Subsection (2)(c) shall be in a form approved by the
223 Department of Human Services.

224 (c) Neither the Department of Human Services nor any of its divisions may proscribe
225 who qualifies as an expert in family relations or who may conduct evaluations under
226 Subsection (2)(c).

227 (7) Any fee assessed by the evaluating agency described in Subsection (2)(d) is the
228 responsibility of the adopting parent or parents.

229 (8) The person [~~or agency~~] conducting the preplacement adoptive evaluation shall, in
230 connection with the evaluation, provide the prospective adoptive parent or parents with
231 literature approved by the Division of Child and Family Services relating to adoption, including
232 information relating to:

- 233 (a) the adoption process;
- 234 (b) developmental issues that may require early intervention; and
- 235 (c) community resources that are available to the prospective adoptive parent or
236 parents.

237 (9) A copy of the preplacement adoptive evaluation shall be filed with the court.

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